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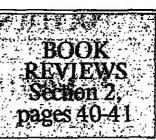


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## Maastricht debate erupts in Commons

# Major hits against 'scowling on the fringes of Europe'

By PHILIP WEBSTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Major yesterday launched his fight to save the As party leaders bickered in the Maastricht treaty - and possi-Commons over whether the Maastricht bly his future as prime minister — with a passionate declaration that Britain must motion was one of confidence, Tory whips had no doubt — they were working. not be left "scowling in frustraup to the last minute to stave off defeat tion" on the fringes of Europe. Facing a knife-edge vote that would determine whether

of the Tory party. The vote was not about Europe, but about government, and the planned to back the govern-ment, had been conned: "And the reason you have been conned is that you suffer from two great defects: naivety and

self-importance."
Highlighting what he called
Mr Major's "on-off threat to In a noisy and bad-tem-pered Commons debate, marked by savage Liberal Democrat and Labour attacks hold a general election", he persisted: "Is there anyone in on each other, the prime minister was supported by Sir this House naïve enough to Edward Heath, who urged believe that the government motion is only about the the Euro-dissidents not to endanger the government. "I timing of the committee stage cannot recall any episode in which those who held a differ-(Amendment) Bill? How can a motion which attracted the threat of a general election not be about the credibility, comvernment," he said. petence and authority of the John Smith, the Labour

the government's entire Euro-

pean policy was derailed, the prime minister warned Tory

cocktail" of disunity and strife

that would result if Britain

shrank from honouring an

agreement it had freely en-

computer

fails again

BY TIM JONES

LONDON Ambulance

Service yesterday aban-doned its £1.5m computer-

based 999 emergency calls

system and reverted to

faults in the system. When

it broke down last week unions claimed that 20

health secretary, is expect-

ed to amounce soon the terms of reference of an

independent inquiry, and yesterday Martin Gor-

ham, the acting chief exec-

would not work again until

problems had been solved.

New failings, page 7

lives had been lost.

annal control after new

Paddy Ashdown hit back by charging Mr Smith with "discalling for progress on the Masstricht bill as a "product creditable political opportun-ism". Constantly heckled by Labour MPs, the Liberal Democrat leader said Labour's tactic of turning the debate into a confidence issue 999 calls could backfire. If the government lost, there would be no

> no future in Europe. As the party leaders argued in a packed and noisy cham-ber, Conservative whips and party officials were engaging in frantic last-minute efforts to secure a government majority after the Ulster Unionists confirmed at a lunchtime meeting that they would support the Labour amendment. One senior party figure said he had not seen the "power of the machine" deployed so strong-

general election but at the

same time Britain would have

ly for 20 years. As the debate began, the

slightly balanced against the government, but ministers remained hopeful that enough wavering MPs could be persuaded to abandon plans to abstain and decide instead to

Major himself met some of the By mid-afternoon there were signs that the pressure was having some effect. One Tory MP was reported to have switched sides to back the government, and a handful of they were "under the cosh".

MPs were told in private meetings that Mr Major's authority was at stake, although the prime minister's friends said they had told him

back the government. They

Inside the chamber, Mr Major made a lengthy, muchinterrupted speech, tackling at length the concerns raised with him by Conservative ain could not make a success of EC membership unless it ratified the treaty, he said, and he would be doing the country and the House a disservice if he did not back that judgment "with all the force at my

Failure to endorse Maastricht would lessen the government's ability to negotiate successfully on matters of "our own national self-interest". and "national self-interest is not about striking attitudes but about striking deals which are in our own interest.

"A centralist Europe is most likely to develop if Britain has no influence in the Commun-

do stand aside and let others run Europe, while Britain scowls in frustration on the fringes. That's not the sort of Community this country wants and it would not be in the interest of this country or any political party to stand on the sidelines."

Britain should play a full part, arguing its case, forming alliances, exercising influence and authority, persuading pushing and fighting for its interest — and sometimes digging in its toes.

The most rumbustious ex-

were being called in to see whips and ministers, and Mr changes came when Mr Major accused Labour of having put down a "fraud" amend ment. Labour had not adopted the politics of principle, but the politics of expediency, he said. Mr Smith was trying to hide behind Denmark and the splits in his own party; his amendmentment was a Napoleonic amendment because it said "not tonight, Josephine. We'll debate it at some other

> tion was said to be a man of great principle with deeply held vs about Britain's place in Europe, but, Mr Major said: "Mr Smith has his principles absolutely east adrift on a sea of expediency. And when that happens, he is in Opposition and will deserve to stay there. That is the sort of contemptible wriggling that will earn him no plaudits either here or in the Community."

No one should kid them selves, he said, that without Maastricht there would be a Community without any of the problems posed by the Maas-tricht debate. They would instead have a Community fighting day by day, time and time again, all the battles that Continued on page 2, col 1

Debate and analysis.

## Leaders of a Re-United States



Victory embrace: Mr and Mrs Clinton celebrate at the Old State House in Little Rock

## Clinton calls for new beginning

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON AND BEN MACINTYRE IN LITTLE ROCK

sas, promised "to face prob-

Aids to the environment ... to

the conversion of our economy from a defence to a domestic

On the morning after his

sweeping victory, Mr Clinton

set immediately to work on forming what Mickey Kantor,

his campaign chairman, said would be "America's adminis-

tration", including Republi-cans and Independents as well

as Democrats and going "be-

John Major said he planned

to meet Mr Clinton in the next few weeks to coment the "special relationship" between the United States and Britain.

He congratulated Mr Clinton

on a stunning victory.
"I am confident the corner

stones of US foreign and def-

ence policy will remain firmly

in place and that the close

partnership between Britain and the US will continue," he

said. He also praised George

Bush: "He has, I believe, been

an extraordinarily good presi-

dent for this country and to

Mr Bush, the first elected

Republican president denied re-election since Herbert Hoo-

ver in 1932, generously praised the "strong" Clinton

campaign and urged the country to get behind its new president. He would now de-

vote time to what he called the

Clinton's America, page 12 Election results, pages 16,17 Anthony Howard, page 20

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Tax fears subside, page 25

"grandchild business".

Europe as a whole".

economic giant."

yand partisanship

A NEW era in American the man from Hope, Arkanpolitics began yesterday with Bill Clinton, the presidentelect, calling for a "new patrio-tism" and a "Re-United States" in which all Americans work as one to rebuild their country. He laid out his vision of a "new beginning" and "a new partnership for a new America" before thousands of

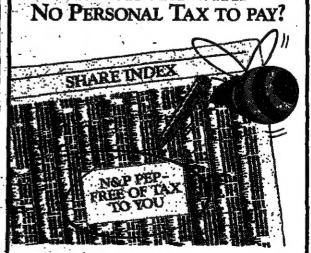
supporters in Little Rock. When Mr Clinton, his running-mate Al Gore and their families finally emerged from the Old State House, a deafening roar erupted followed by chants of "Landslide, Landslide." Governor Clinton said: "This election is a clarion call



concedes defeat

for our country to face the challenges of the end of the Cold War and the beginning of the next century. To restore growth to our country and apportunity to our people, to empower our people so they can take more responsibility for their own lives." Describing his partnership

with Senator Gore as a remarkable coalition for change, A Top Performing INVESTMENT-WITH



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## US fires first shot in world trade war as farm talks fail

FROM GEORGE BROCK IN BRUSSELS

oping countries and countries

triggered an American demand for sanctions against European imports to the US. The two sides were closer to a full-scale tariff battle than at Births, marriages, any time during the six years that the world's trading states Court and Social. have been trying to write a new world trade treaty. Politicians on both sides of the Atlantic lamented the probable loss of an opportunity to Mind and Body boost the global economy out of recession and predicted that Times Today the transition from President Bush to President Clinton could be overshadowed by

EUROPE and America stepped towards a costly trans-EC and US's failure to agree atlantic trade war last night plans to cut farm subsidies. The Dutch trade minister after the failure of long-running talks on farm subsidies Yvonne van Rooy, said: "Slumbering trade conflicts will now be revived. That is bad not only for industrialised economies but also for devel-

> in the Middle East and eastem Europe." Last-minute talks collapsed in Chicago late on Tuesday night and no further contacts are planned, though neither side ruled out resuming talks. Yesterday American negotiators sought support from other governments belonging to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) for a pro

gramme of punitive sanctions against European goods directed mainly at France. US necotiators blamed mainly France for the breakdown - a responsibility the French goverrunent cheerfully accepted saying its firmness had blocked a deal which would have been bad for France.

The EC last night prevented in agreement on sanctions in the Gatt council, but America is likely to raise tariffs unilaterally. The 100 per cent duties would not take effect for at least a month and would be likely to hit French exports such as cheese and wines.

> Trade war likely, page 12 Gatt threat, page 25

## Get Mum to pay the mortgage

PROPERTY CORRESPONDENT

PARENTS who have enjoyed the fruits of past property booms could hold the key to relieving the plight of their children who have suffered during the recession and are trapped in houses worth less than the mortgage.

ety, parents would volunteer to offer their home, on which they had enjoyed capital appreciation and had paid off most of their mortgage, as security for a proportion of

the child's new mortgage. The extra security of the parent's house would allow the child to move by guaran-tecing part of the debt in-curred by a larger mortgage, the costs of moving house,

existing house. The rest of the debt would be secured on the child's new house. The scheme could help

thousands of people trapped in houses because of debt but want to move, of whom there are about a million. The Woolwich estimates it could help 5,000 of its borrowers.

Parents' rescue, page 6

# Sweaty, shuddering struggle to speak the words nobody dared utter

HE CALLED it a point of order. He rose, all 19 stone of him, from his customary seat on the government backbenches. His great frame shuddered as he drew breath, shirt nucked violently along a belt-line which bore all the marks of a zone of intense struggle. His suit looked utterly defeated. His big. wide face was wet with perspiration. A handkerchief hung damply from his top pocket, a small white speck upon the whole picture dwarfed by the

The great man was ready to speak. This was more than a member of Parliament this was a phenomenon.

"Mr Geoffrey Dickens!"

called Madam Speak "Oh!" called 400 MPs. "Madam!" bellowed the phenomenon. His shoulders heaved, rising and falling like a ship upon the swell of giggles, whispers and murmurs that greeted him from all corners of the chamber . . . "Madam: I, like many members, am having difficul-

ty knowing what today's de-bate is all about." Not for the first time, and not (we are confident) for the last, the member for Littleborough and Saddleworth, colossus of the Pen-nines, scourge of paedophiles, aficionado of the rope and hammer of the practitioners

of witchcraft, articulated what

none other dured say. Geof-frey K Dickens spoke for the

about? Following parliamen-tary debates is like falling in love. You build up your hopes before the big event although you know you were disap-pointed by the last one. You are duly disappointed anew. Yet, when the next chance comes round, you somehow persuade yourself that this time it's going to be different.

It wasn't yesterday. A glance at the government front bench should have told us that. They simply looked exhausted. Michael Heseltine, in a sober suit and

MAITHEW PARRIS

POLITICAL SKETCH

little cheer . .

unshowy tie, seemed to hug his own shoulders as though trying to make himself small-

Douglas Hurd looked sour, his hand hovering at his mouth. Kenneth Clarke leaned back, shattered, his arms by his side. Michael Portillo, who seemed to be hiding behind

the Speaker's chair, managed And in came John Major, to a huge cheer. In came John

Smith, to a huge cheer. In

by observing that the whole world was in a mess and moved on to random observations about Europe, Maas-tricht and "digging in our toes (sic) and saying no". came Paddy Ashdown, to a Up jumped Bowen Wells

MP, a household name in Hertford and Stortford, and made a speech on his bill to repeal the Caravan Sites Act (1968). Madam Speaker asked him to bring his bill formally to her table and, as he rose to do so, another Tory dived in and nicked his seat. This told you more about the parliamentary Conservative party than the whole six hour oate to follow. about the government's

Which duly followed. John
Major made a long, dull but
surefooted speech. He began
for a runn. This was not a

MPs attention began to wan-der. Major spoke of visa-policy, a "double-lock mecha-nism." stage two of the "pillars" of the Maastricht accord, agreements made "under the pillars", and a good deal more pillar talk. Michael Fabricant (C. Mid

Staffs) scratched his wig. Wasn't this supposed to be

romp. Would John Smith be

He was worse. He made the mistake of trying to justify the Opposition's stand. When your motive is to wound and your occasion opportunistic, it's best just to grin. Instead, lurching from sophistry to pedantry, he involved himself in an unseemly wrangle with the government front bench about what documents were or were not in the Commons

library. Who cared?
Finally, despairing of his speechwriters. Mr Smith began quoting a leading article from The Sunday Telegraph, which seemed to go on for hours. There must be better ways of bringing down the government.

In five or six crisp phrases, Ted Heath, who followed Mr Smith, sliced him through, leaving Paddy Ashdown to make one of his best parliamentary speeches in years. But then Ashdown knew what his speech was for: it was

for hitting the Labour party with. Smith's speech seemed to be for fending off attack. instead of pressing his own. Major's speech was for get-ting him through the next few days of his personal nightmare. We were not talking about Europe. We were talk-ing about ourselves, as usual.

## Whips frogmarch rebels who ignore the fireside chat

By SHELLA GUNN POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

SWEAT and tears have been spilt on the carpet at Westminster in the cause of trying to secure a "yes" vote for the government in the great Maastricht debate, but bloodshed has been avoided, despite tactics ranging from the ex-tremely crude to the canningly

Some potential Tory rebels broke under the pressure. But, with a few, the strong-arm tactics have proved to be counter-productive. Walter Sweeney, the victor of the Vale of Glamorgan, was bawled out by the truly heavyweight Tory whip David Lighthown in the middle of the Members' tearoom, to little avail.

However, a motion passed by his constituency officers. faxed through to him minutes before the debate opened. worried Mr Sweeney deeply. It expressed "displeasure" at his stated intention to vote against the government. Voting was 15 in favour of the constituency motion, six against with four abstentions.

Being a rebel is no fun whatsoever unless you are incredibly thick-skinned," he said. "Although most colleagues treat you like a human being, the odd one looks straight through you. Labour people, who normally would not talk to you at all, are very affable. I don't know which makes you more unhappy, rebel against your own party. It is not something you do

With the new intake, the Tory hierarchy has tended to use the double-handed "nice and nasty" tactic so beloved by the police. The potential miscreant is invited to meet John

It takes a backbench rebel with a hard heart and a thick skin to withstand the whips' not-so-gentle art of persuasion in the corridors of power

Major, Michael Heseltine or Richard Ryder, the chief whip, for a fireside chat. If that doesn't work, a whip, or a minister such as Nicholas Soames with good "whip-ping" credentials, is designated to make clear to the MP that he has dashed all hopes of a ministerial career. Those little slivers of patronage that can enlighten a backbencher's life, such as a jaunt abroad, are also dangled in front of them

Sometimes it all proves too much, John Whittingdale, the new MP for Colchester South and Maldon and former political adviser to Margaret Thatcher, had been intending to vote against the government but had been prevailed upon to abstain. He had visibly aged by yesterday after-noon through his efforts to please both his present and former bosses. After Baroness Thanher failed to persuade him to rebel, he left her office dearly distressed. Another freshman, too

scared to be named claims that he was frogmarched by a whip on to the chilly terrace for a proper dressing down. The rebellion would bring him "ten minutes of fame" followed by a lifetime in the political wilderness. He gave

With the older intake, the tactics are geared to the individual Bill Walker, the veteran Scottish MP,

threatened with removal from the chairmanship of the Tory backbench Scottish affairs committee. He tells of telephone calls by whips and others to his local party officers in Tayside North asking them

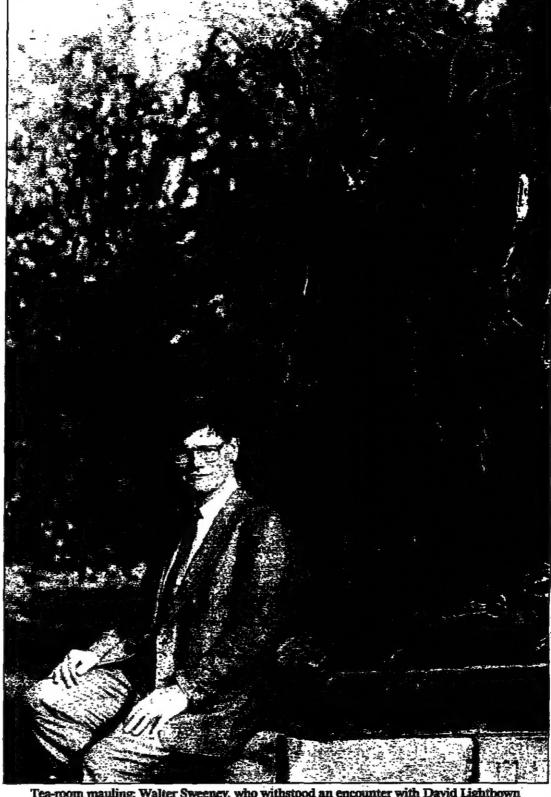
to work on him. · A key player behind the scenes at Conservative Central Office has been Sir Basil Feldman, chairman of the national union, the party's

voluntary wing.

Sir Basil is said by many "wobblers" to have rung up constituency chairmen, appealing for help in urging their MP to back Mr Major. His message has been that the fate of the government was at stake. The "M" word is rarely used, one rebel confided.

It takes an extremely determined backbencher to withstand such pressure from colleagues both inside Westminster and their constituency headquarters.
The "nice" tactic might

prove useless against the hardline Euro-sceptics but has paid dividends with those merely unhappy with the govern-ment's handling of the Maastricht issue. Just before Major returned to Westminster from the state banquet at Buckingham Palace with the Sultan of Brunei for a talk ith Robert Jones, MP for Hertfordshire West and listed as a rebel. By the time the debate opened, Mr Jones was definitely wobbling.



Tea-room mauling: Walter Sweeney, who withstood an encounter with David Lightbown

## Kohl says treaty will not create a superstate

By SHELLA GUNN

HELMUT Kohl, the German chancellor, backed John Major yesterday in asserting that the Maastricht treaty does not mark the foundation of a European superstate.

As ministers strive to improve Anglo-German relations since the débacle of Black Wednesday, Herr Kohl echoed the prime minister's criticism of the pro-federal com-ments of Martin Bangemann, an EC vice-president and a former German minister. He said in The European newspaper: "We have not laid the foundation stone with Maastricht for a European superstate which reduces everything to the same level and blurs the differences. Rather we have committed ourselves to a Europe constructed on the principle of 'unity in diversity'."

He also said that the loss of the Maatricht treaty could delay for more than a generation moves to bring Europe closer together. Insisting that Europe could not be run at the pace of the slowest ship in the convoy, he also said that all nationalities would remain "deeply rooted in our home regions". He dismissed fears of overbearing centralisation, saying: "We will temain Germans, Britons, Italians and Frenchmen - and at the same time we will be

He warned other European leaders that development of the Community must not be held up by the least enthusiastic members. He did not wish to isolate individual partners or to exclude them, he added, but "we do not want a Europe of two or three speeds".

Mr Major and Herr Kohl with other ministers, will meet at Ditchley Park, Oxfordshire, next Wednesday for summit talks. At the top of the agenda will be economic issues, especially since sterling's withdrawal from the ERM, and the fate of the Maastricht

Charles.

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Herr Kohl's intervention in the dispute about the impact of the treaty came as the weekly magazine Vrij Nederland published what it alleges to be the verbatim minutes of the Maastricht summit last December. According to the magazine, Mr Major emerged as the toning down many of the provisions. There was goodwill for Mr Major at the summit because of the European Council's earlier problems

with Margaret Thatcher.

The minutes also talk of Mr Major's success in throwing out plans for European immigration, security and defence policies, and rejecting much greater powers for the European redispense.

# 'scowling on fringes'

Continued from page 1 were fought and largely won in the treaty. "Anyone who believes that that situation of uncertainty would be good for political stability, business, growth and jobs would be deluding themself. It would be a fatal cocktail.

Mr Smith, accused by one Tory MP of being an "unprincipled wriggler", described the debate as an opportunity to garner support for a discredited prime minister and discredited government", before going on to launch a bitter personal attack on Mr Major. The prime minister had the precise opposite of the Midas touch, he said.

From Black Wednesday to the pit closure fiasco, to the mysteries of whatever the government's new economic poli-cy is, his baleful presence courts disaster. Even at Stamford Bridge, Cheisea fans would prefer that you stay away, because most times you attend they lose."

Labour would not be conned by the "government's contrivances," he said, to cheers from his backbencher, and declared: "We will vote against a government who are undermining our society, de-stroying our economy and thereby wrecking our future in

Explaining his tactics. Mr Ashdown said: "We will not vote for the government. We will vote for Britain's future in Europe. We will not vote for vote to save jobs and get the economy going again within the only context that makes

Key to the treaty, and Peter Riddell, page 3 ions debate, pages 4,5

## Danger of | Continent appalled by British failure to create consensus

FROM GEORGE BROCK IN BRUSSELS

EUROPE'S commentators and chanceries watched last night's struggle over the Maastricht treaty in the Commons with appalled fascination. After almost two years of John Major's leadership of the Tory party, few continental observers claim to understand his thinking on Europe.
The strains of ratifying the

treaty have again uncovered the gulf of misunderstanding separating continental political cultures from the volatile argument which periodically racks British and Danish governments when they sign another phase of European integration. On this side of the Channel, Euro-scepticism is confined to the nutty fringes of parliamentary debate emerges from under a blanket of indifference only on special occasions, such as the French referendum campaign. Francesco Mattioli, a sea-

soned Italian television com-mentator on Europe, said: "In the continental tradition, there are issues where a national consensus holds, no matter what — or parties get together to try to build it on a question like Europe."

Despite the close scrape in France in September, ten of the European Community's 12 political establishments think that Maastricht ratification is secure and are concentrating on the knife-edge battles in London and Copenhagen. They are torn between trying to bully the recalcitrants and avoiding accusations of interference in domestic

Seen from Westminster and Whitehall. Mr Major's approach to the EC has com-bined the traditional Tory leader's role of avoiding any chate, pages 4.5 party split on Europe while Diary, page 20 deploying his niceness to win

support from powerful players such as Chancellor Kohl. Mr Major's wish to be at the heart of Europe was interpreted in Bonn, Brussels and Paris as an intellectual revolution rather than a charm offensive. Many observers failed to notice that its ambivalence over Europe was not created by

Margaret Thatcher, she mere-

ly voiced her scepticism with-

out worrying about the diplomatic damage. European leaders have discovered slowly that her successor is kinder and gentler, but has a smaller Commons majority and is more easily pushed around by his backbenchers. German press com-mentary on the Major government this week has been harsh: the prime minister is "groggy" may never regain his former popularity and will chair the EC's Edinburgh summit deprived of political support in his home

As the prime minister's statements on when Maastricht would be brought back to the Commons flip-flopped during the summer and early



Bangemann: different

autumn, continental capitals grew queasy trying to follow cial in the European Commis sion headquarters in Brussels reported muttered criticism that the British government was abusing its EC presidency by putting its domestic agenda

A deep reservoir of federalist impatience is building up behind the reluctance of the British and Danish parlia-ments to ratify Maastricht. The irritation inside the Commission is compounded by Eurocrats' resentment at being singled out as responsible for the Danish rejection by issuing too many daft directives harmonising, for example, the size of Europe's

Against this background Martin Bangemann, Germa-ny's senior commissioner in Brussels, delivered his standard speech arguing that the Maastricht treaty did not go far enough in the direction of a federal state but was at least a start. In doing so he was closer to mainstream European thought than Mr Major and was offering an interpretation of a treaty which is flexible enough to permit many readings. Although Herr Bangemann's officials knew that he would speak in Berlin on the eve of the debate at Westminster, they had little inkling of the fuss that their commissioner's brutal contradiction of the British government's defence of the treaty

would stir up. Herr Bangemann probably did not intend Mr Major any harm, but as a German of classic federalist views and a vice-president of the Commission, he lives in a different world from Britain's prime

## Lubbers favoured by Delors

RUUD Lubbers, the Dutch prime minister, has been informally anointed as the chosen successor to Jacques Delors as the president of the beleaguered European Commission, which initiates and enforces EC law (George Brock writes).

No formal decision by EC leaders is likely for some time but this week both M Delors and Helmut Kohl. the German chancellor. both broke silence on the subject of the succession for a job which M Delors has turned into one of the most prominent on the Continent. "Personally, I think he will be the right man in the right spot." M Delors told Dutch radio yesterday.

That endorsement, after a similar encomium from the German leader, almost certainly discourages any other candidate from entering the lists. Decisions taken jointly by M Delors and Herr Kohl are rarely overturned.

If M Delors does not leave

Brussels prematurely to campaign for the French presidency, Mr Lubbers would not succeed him until 1995 when he would have just retired after 12 years at the head of a Christian Democrat-led coalition in The Hague. Mr Lubbers, 53, has just celebrated ten years as prime minister and is clearly looking for a wider stage than Dutch politics. He has never declared an occulatement in the job but

open interest in the job but displayed his qualifications as a conciliator when he chaired the Maastricht summit to finalise the treaty now encountering a rough reception in Britain and

## Long and tortuous path that began with Kinnock clashes

By Nicholas Wood, political correspondent

tive waverers standing be-

tween triumph and disaster.

for once Mr Kinnock's pos-

ition might have seemed

Not that the prime minis-

ter's remarks on June 2 com-

mitted him irrevocably to the

to gamble his premiership on winning last night's vote on the Maastricht treaty is the culmination of a long and tortuous path that stretches back to Commons exchanges with Neil Kinnock on June 3. As a tense and excited

Commons gathered to debate the implications of Denmark's unexpected rejection of the treaty the night before, the then Labour leader demanded a thorough written report on the significance of the referendum and a debate on the report "before any further progress on the bill is sought". in broad terms, Mr Major agreed — taking the first fateful step towards a show-down with the Tory Euro-phobes that would call into question his future as prime

minister and fleetingly raise the spectre of a second election in a year.

At the time, Mr Major's promise to test parliamentary opinion on the bill was lost

amid the furore generated by the Danish road-block on the road to closer European union. But as the heady days of the early summer were soon clouded by a series of U-turns ending with the climbdown over pit closures, it was one promise he was determined to

Throughout repeated backbench uprisings over Maastricht and the numoil of sterling's expulsion from the exchange-rate mechanism, Mr Major held to one fixed point: a commitment to ratify the bill and to hold what eventually became known as the "paving debate", clearing the way for the line-by-line scrutiny at committee stages.

Mr Kinnock, now free of the cares of office, spent yesterday standing in for Jimmy Young

Kimnock: carefree and enviable position

course he took. The written report mentioned by Mr Kinnock never materialised opportunities for the prime minister to follow the advice of his whips and back away from a controntation with the rebels until the government had moved into calmer waters.

As one minister gloomily put it on the eve of the debate. "When you have just fallen at three fences (David Mellor, the ERM and the coal industry) you don't single out the highest fence on the course

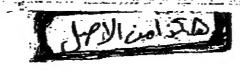
and try to jump that." Remarks made by the prime

THE decision by John Major on Radio 2 and renewing old minister in the immediate acquaintances with blearyaftermath of Black Wedneseyed American Democrats as day suggested he might have they rejoiced in Bill Clinton's been considering such a tactical retreat. On September 21 he promised a "profound look" at the future of the EC at victory. For Mr Major, straining at the dispatch box to win over the handful of Conservathe Birmingham summit, which had been hastily called for October 16. Three days later, in the emergency Commons debate on the ERM debacle, he appeared to have given himself even more elbow room when he said it would not make sense to bring the bill back to the Commons before "we know dearly what Danish intentions are, and when and how the Danes propose to consult their people

But a week later Mr Major closed the door on one more U-turn. Against a growing chorus of criticism of drift and ack of leadership in Downing Street, he first squared the Birmingham agenda with his European partners, then won cabinet backing for a trial of strength with the Euro-rebels. Waiting for Copenhagen to make all things clear, the one opt-out clause left to the prime minister came to be scorned as

hiding behind the Danes. Even the tumuit at the Tory conference the following week, orchestrated by Lord Tebbit and Baroness Thatcher, failed to deter him. Buoyed by the positive response to his new growth orientated economic policy, on October 22 he telescoped his timetable. The paving debate would be on November 4 and Maastricht would live again before the

end of the month.
Once Labour seized the main chance and decided to make the vote one of confidence in the government, the scale of Mr Major's gamble



Interpreting the treaty

# Key to understanding lies in the pages of European history

By MICHAEL BINYON, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

aastricht is, as all its defenders and critics anknowledge, both a compromise and a hotch-potch. It did not give any of the signatories all they wanted, politically; nor was it free from ambiguities which allowed all parties to read into it what they wanted for domestic consumption but which threatened to cause interminable controversy in interpretation and implementation. Maastricht contains three main elements: a treaty on economic and monetary union, a treaty of "political union" and a reform of the structures and functioning of the Community.



THE heart of the treaty is EMU. This lays down a three-stage plan for the irrevocable change to a single currency, the ecu. The plan makes participation in the exchange-rate mechanism a prerequisite for all countries participating in the second stage. Britain's withdrawal made this point extremely controversial.

In the second stage, a forerunner to a Central European Bank will be set up, and all governments shall "endeavour" to avoid excessive budget deficits. This is seen by opponents as an erosion of the Chancellor's right to make his own decisions. All countries must promote economic convergence—including low inflation and stable exchange rates. Opponents argue that this would again tie Britain to the policies of countries such as Germany, whose economic and political conditions are unsuited for export but whose dominance would effectively set the pattern for pan-

European economic policy.

The third stage, locking all currencies under the control of an independent central bank, will begin if, by 1996, a majority of seven nations have met the criteria. Britain won the right of an opt-out, something Denmark is also pressing for. Germany, with cold feet on sacrificing the mark, has announced that it, too, wants a parliamentary vote, angering such countries as France.



ONE aspect of the treaty that has particularly disturbed opponents is the reference to citizens of members states also being citizens of "the union". This would give them widespread rights to move freely around the Community, to vote and stand as candidates in local and European parliament elections in whichever member state a person resides, to be represented abroad by diplomats of any member state. But anti-Maastricht campaigners say citizenship, in international law, is inextricably linked to statehood, and the concept of a citizen of the European Union means that the EC is aiming to become a federal state. They ask, in such circumstances, what the position of the Queen would be — an issue treaty supporters dismiss as a ridiculous irrelevance.

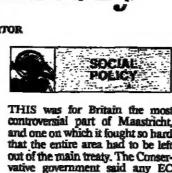


THE EC failure to follow an effective common policy in the two great tests of the past two years—Yugoslavia and the Gulf—is held up as the absurdity of promoting a "common" foreign and defence policy; others say it only highlights the need. Largely at Britain's insistence, both remain outside the framework of Community institutions, and would operate as an extension of present inter-governmental co-operation.

Common defence, the subject of intense wrangling between the French and the British during Maastricht negotiations, remains ill-defined, and depends on the Western European Union acting as some kind of bridge between Nato and the EC.

and the EC.

But the Danes in particular are still worried that this could mean that the twelve could vote to send Danish soldiers to fight in a war which Dennsark and the Danish people do not approve of something treaty advocates say is impossible under unanimious voting procedures.



THIS was for Britain the most controversial part of Maastricht, and one on which it fought so hard that the entire area had to be left out of the main treaty. The Conservative government said any EC interference would limit a country's ability to create jobs and exploit its market conditions; the Labour party, however, insists the social chapter is crucial to social justice throughout the EC. In the end the other 11 agreed to harmonise their policies in a separate protocol, which made for social protection, dialogue between management and labour, working conditions, and a Commission role in promoting social dialogue.



MAASTRICHT gives Brussels new competence in fields such as culture, education and training, public health and consumer protection, trans-European networks, research and social cohesion. More decisions will be made by majority voting. Treaty opponents say this will inevitably give an unelected bureaucracy ever greater control over more areas of British life — a charter for an interventionist Commission to increase its powers at the expense of Westminster. Supporters say Maastricht only tidies up existing rules, and makes it possible to take decisions in vital areas which cross national boundaries, such as the environment.



STRASBOURG will be given more powers — to confirm the appointment of the president of the Commission, to amend or veto legislation, and the EC expenditure and investigate maladministration. But it will still not be able to introduce most legislation or have the final say. MEPs will still be the

poor relations of national parliaments, to the anger of the Germans and the delight of the British. Britain is also glad that Maastricht supports its proposal to give the European Court powers to fine member states not enforcing directives, thus penalising countries which do not carry out their promises while discouraging frivolous or impractical EC directives.



THIS crucial clause, which will be the focus of discussion and declarations at the Edinburgh summit, is dealt with in a brief paragraph. This states that in areas which do not fall under its executive jurisdiction, the Community "shall take action ... only if and in so far as the

objectives of the proposed action cannot be sufficiently achieved by the member states and can therefore... be better achieved by the Community". The crucial question is: who shall define the word "better" — the Commission, or member states? Not only is the concept vague, but it is likely to lead to dozens of court challenges. In any case, opponents say, few people in the Brussels Commission are really ready to hand back powers to



MAASTRICHT affirms the Community's readiness to open negotiations with new members. It also

includes a protocol on "cohesion"

— the transfer of funds from the
richer northern countries to the
poorer southern states. Opponents
as y this will artificially rig market
conditions and involve huge sums.
Another conference must be called
in 1996 to look at further reform of
EC institutions. Supporters insist
that this does not mean, as opponents claim, that there will be an
automatic "conveyor belt" move to
a tighter federal structure.

a tighter federal structure.

Even if all those voting last night had read the Maastricht treaty, few would have understood it. Nothing in it can be fully understood without reference to the two documents it amends the 1957 treaty of Rome, which brought the Common Market into being, and the 1987 Single European Act, which laid the basis for the single market.



"Nobody out there has read it (the Manstricht treaty) — I have never read it"

- Kenneth Clarke

"A Europe built on the Danish
"no" and the French whisker is
not a very durable one for the
future of the Maastricht treaty"

- Tony Benn

"It would be reckless, perverse, bizarre for Europe's politicians to override the will of the European people to manage their own affairs"

— Lord Tebbii

"We don't need a United States of Europe. We need a Europe of united states with countries allowed to preserve their own national identities and cultures. The second message is don't go so

- Kenneth Bak

"Our party could wreck itself over Europe, with consequences which would be deeply damaging to Britain. Let us decide to give that madness a miss"

— Douglas Hurd

"The treaty will hand over more powers to unelected bureaucrats and crode the freedoms of ordinary men and women in this country. No mere declaration on subsidiarity is going to change the articles or the thrust of the treaty

- Baroness Thatcher
"I prefer the rules of football.
John Major prefers the rules of

—Jacques Delors at Maastricht
"There is a cultural difference
between the continentals and the
United Kingdom"

United Kingdom"

— Piet Dankert, Dutch foreign minister at Maastricht

"Mr Delors seems more interested in his own position in history than in European unity. He looks on himself as a prime minister among prime ministers, when in fact he is no more than a highly paid hack and a dangerous one at

- Sir Anthony Beaumont Dark former Conservative MP The Dames have saved our

— Christopher Gill, Tory MP, after the Danes rejected the treaty in a referendum in June

"Federalism is a word we can speak out loud — it is not a dirty

— Jacques Delors

"Why don't you just opt out?"

— President Mitterrand at
Maastricht (to John Major)
"If the French people can decide
Maastricht by a referendum, I see

no reason why the British people should not have the same right"

- John Townend, Tory MP

# Reading the debate's sub-text

THE BUREL

ORDINARY voters watching yesterday's Commons debate must have wondered what had taken hold of their representatives. Not only was the Commons at its most noisily self-absorbed, but there was no obvious reason why the debate was being held.

It was little to do with the terms of the government motion endorsing further progress on the bill ratifying the Maastricht treaty or the Labour amendment urging a delay for six weeks until after the European Community summit in Edinburgh in mid-December. As Betty Boothroyd, the Speaker, noted, further proceedings on the bill will not be affected by the outcome of the debate. Regardless of last night's vote, the committee stage could start at any time.

The debate was never about the timing of the committee stage but was about the erosion of the authority of the prime minister in the past six veeks. What was at stake was whether the unravelling of the standing of John Major since Black Wednesday would con-tinue or be halted. There were even murmurs in the corridors and lobbies of Westminster might lead to the resignation of the prime minister. That was reflected in the francic activity of the Tory whips over the past week, which has left both bruised and inflated egos, as well as expectations of future favours and rewards.

It is a measure of the failures and sumblings of the government since sterling's withdrawal from the exchangerate mechanism on September 16 that the debate assumed such importance. Mr Major's loss of grip over his own party has maximised opposition rather than minimised dissent. As Seamus Mallon, of the Social and Liberal Democrats, wondered, how had a House majority for the treaty been whittied away into a potential minority?

into a potential minimal.

The result was that each group had its own different motive and approach to yesterday's dehate which turned into a hybrid of a vote of confidence and a vote on Europe. Hence the diehard Tory rebels could pretend that their votes



in no way undermined their faith in Mr Major remaining prime minister and might even benefit the government in the long-run. They were merely voting on the merits of the issue. Of course, the stakes were higher. Even at minimum, as Mr Major said, approval of the Labour amendment would mean a delay in the start of the committee stage and would seriously weaken Britain's negotiating position at the Edinburgh

John Smith, the Labour leader, argued that the amendment did not undermine the party's commitment "to closer economic and political co-operation in Europe". He sounded as if he was trying to win a not proven verdict when he sought to justify a delay because of uncertainty over the Danish position. This Scottish advocate's approach was both pedantic and unconvincing. Labour's real case came in his stronger preoration. He said Labour

would "vote against a govern-

ment who are wrecking our economy and undermining our society". For Labour, the debate was

a protest against the government's record as a whole, while seeking to capitalise on Tory divisions over Europe. Its aim was to embarrass the government rather than to defeat it.

Indeed, the Labour pro-Europeans were keen to show that the government could not be defeated by an alliance with Tory rebels. Hence in future the party should follow its previous line of not opposing ratification, while seeking to restore the social chapter.

One of the many paradoxes of yesterday's debate was that, for all the closeness of the vote, detailed consideration of the bill should now become much easier in the Commons if the Labour pro-Europeans do adopt a less hostile attitude in later votes.

later votes.

The Liberal Democrats claimed to be voting on the merits of the issue, and so they were, even if the Tories and

Labour had different motives. That provoked Mr Smith into a denunciation of "the naivete and self-importance" of the Liberal Democrats. Self-righteous though Paddy Ashdown, the party leader, can sometimes sound, he at least made a strong and consistent case for an active British role in Europe. We will not hear much about Lib-Lab co-operation for some time now.

Mr. Major appealed for support on the virtues of the Maastricht treaty and in order to maintain Britain's influence in Europe. There was no doubt about the seriousness of the vote for him and the government. It was not a fringe matter of timing. He gave an effective performance. If Mr Major is under strain now, he is not showing it when he appears in the Commons. But yesterday's debate was

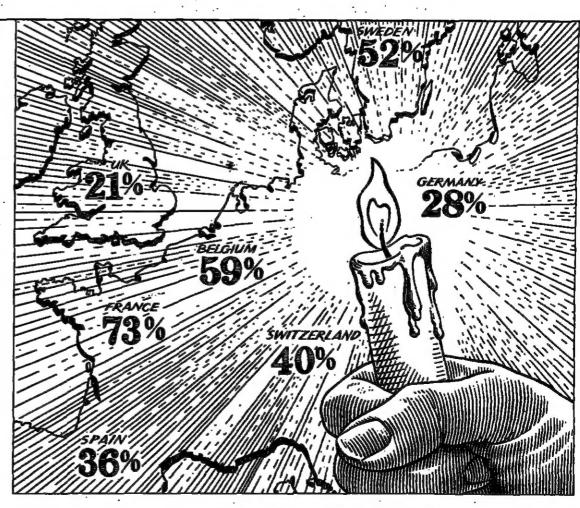
about much more than the merits of Maastricht. It was about trying to rebuild his personal authority. After the recent defeats over the ERM and pit closures, and the continuing uncertainty over economic policy, losing last night's vote would have knocked away the central pillar of his foreign policy, leaving little else remaining. He needed a victory just to stabilise his position since he knew defeat would mean further criticism from within his own party, and a possibly fatal weakening of his authority.

But even victory would not be the end of the story for all the immediate cuphoria. It might mark the turning point over the Maastricht treaty, even with further tedious battles ahead. But the government still faces severe tests over the economy, with the autumn statement only a week away.

In the background all week.

has been the cabinet's contin-

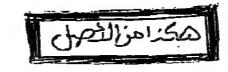
ued discussions over public spending, which are straining ministers' public support for a tough fiscal policy. Even if accompanied by a further cut in interest rates, the Chancellor's statement is likely to provoke further public controversy and unrest among Tory MPs. The cabinet's resolve will be tested by the virtual pay freeze in the public sector and by cuts and squeezes on many programmes. The government has a long way to go to recover the self-confidence of the spring.



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'We are seeking to build a more secure Europe than any previous generation has known'

## Maastricht waverers warned against sidelining Britain

IF BRITAIN did not ratify the Maastricht treaty the country could not continue to make a success of its membership of the European Community. John Major told the Commons yesterday. Opening the critical debate on the "paving motion" on the bill to ratify the treaty, the prime minister stuck to his theme that it was in Britain's self-interest to stay at the centre of Europe and to

Britain, he said, would not be able to influence events from the sidelines. In an effort to swing over the waverers in the Tory party, Mr Major said that monetary policy would continue to be controlled by the British government and British citizenship would not be subsumed into European

citizenship. Nobody should kid themselves, he said, that without Maastricht there would be a Community without any of the problems posed by the Maastricht debate. They would instead have a Community fighting day by day, time and time again, all the battles which were fought and largely won in the treaty. "Anyone who believes that that situation of uncertainty would be good for political stability. business, growth and jobs

coocktail for the future interwould have shrunk back from meeting the agreement we freely entered into."

At the Edinburgh summit in a few weeks' time there were matters to be agreed which were of crucial interest to the future of this country such as financial arrangements, the single market and enlargement. If the House did not endorse Maastricht it would diminish the government's capacity to negotiate successfully on matters of our own national self-interest". He added:

tions some felt at having to

make compromises in defence

of British interests. But he

went on: "National self-inter-

est is not about striking atti-

tudes but about striking deals

which are in our own interest."

Mr Major said: "We cannot

continue to make a success of our membership of the Com-

munity unless we ratify the

would be doing the country a disservice and the House a disservice if I did not back that judgment with all the force at my command.

That means that after this debate has been concluded and won by the government, we will bring back the bill and we will seek the support of members of this House to secure adoption of the bill. That is what is in our own national self-interest.

Earlier. Mr Major had spoken of the political and economic problems confronting nations around the globe.

There was a "whirlwind of would not take our negotiating position seriously now or events" not seen for many in the future and we would not decades, he said. It was against that background that they had to consider Britain's be able to make agreements which are in our own national self-interest."

He understood the frustrapriorities in Europe.

MAJOR SPEECH

The question was: "Are we or are we not in this country to play a central role in Europe's future development?" The answer the House of

Commons gave to that question was fundamental to the country's future wellbeing, economic and political. "I have no doubt about the answer to that question. The answer in our own national self-interest must be yes, we will play a central part in the future of Europe."

There was only one way to bring about a "free trade, free market" Community, respon-sive to its citizens, as Britain wanted. That was by Britain playing "a full part in the Community, by arguing its case, forming alliances, by exercising its influence and authority, by persuading, pushing and fighting for its interests - and sometimes by digging our toes in and saying 'no' as we did with the social chapter and the single

The most likely way for a centralised, federalist Europe to develop was if Britain had no influence in the Community, if Britain was sidelined and left to scowl in frustration, Mr Major said.

currency."

The treaty provided for "the lightest possible form of legislation, with maximum freedom for member states on how best to achieve the Community's objectives".

Mr Major said that the part

of the Maastricht bill on subsidiarity would not be reached until after the Edin-burgh summit. Labour's amendment calling for delay to the bill was a fraud. The amendment might usefully be called "a Napoleonic amend-



Smith: "How can a motion which attracted an election threat not be about the government's credibility?"

He added: "Those are not the politics of principle, they are the politics of political

He said one of the greatest concerns was what had been called the "creeping competence" of the Community. The Maastricht treaty prevented that. Britain would continue to take decisions about economic policy and would remain free to decide on whether to rejoin. the European exchange-rate mechanism. It was too early to make a decision on a single currency. This decision is too important to be an act of faith. must also be an act of judgment, and that judgment cannot sensibly be made until we see the economic circumstances of the day," the prime

## Labour leader puts confidence issue to fore in debate

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#### By JOHN WINDER THE government motion to allow the Maastricht bill to proceed, on which the debate was based, was scorned by John Smith as the product of Alan Beith, the Liberal Democrat economics spokesthe internal machinations of man, said the motion was

the Conservative party. He narrow and unnecessary and the vote "neither here nor there" Mr Smith replied that accused the Liberal Democrats of naivety and self-Liberal Democrats had been conned by the Conservatives because they suffered from two great defects: naivety and selfimportance and said that they had been conned by the Mr Smith, the leader of the Opposition, was moving the importance Labour party amendment suggesting that the government's conditions for proceeding with the Maastricht bill, as

After the activity of the past weeks, could anyone seriously believe that the motion was only about the timing of the next stage of the Maastricht bill? "How can a motion which attracted the threat of a general election not be about the credibility, competence and authority of the government?

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warned that a government defeat would be followed by a policy vacuum: an awitti prospect. (Labour laughter). That extended to the heart of government.

"An increasingly angry and bewildered nation is watching with astonishment and dismay as this government stumbles from one disaster to another," Mr Smith said. The government had never realised that economic success in the Community could only be achieved by building a strong economy based on manufacturing strength, on invest-ment, skill development and government partnership with dustry and commerce

## Gould's successor chosen

set out in September, could not be satisfied until the

Edinburgh summit in mid-December. He said the gov-

emment's economic policy

had been blown to smither-

eens in the debacle of black Wednesday. Mr Smith said that the conditions Mr Major set out

in September for proceeding

with the bill had not yet been met. He was frequently inter

rupted by Conservatives. in-chading the prime minister. Peter Thurnham (Bolton,

North East, C) told Mr Smith: The people of this country

will never trust such an un-

principled wriggler as he is revealing himself to be."

Mr Smith replied that it was

curious to believe that to vote

against the government mo-

tion would be a vote against

Europe. The motion did not

mention the treaty. It was

narrowly and carefully drafted

and had more to do with

Conservative party problems.

By JILL SHERMAN

RON Davies, the Labour MP for Caerphilly, was yesterday elected to the shadow cabinet, filling the place vacated by Bryan Gould, who resigned in

Mr Davies, Labour's agriculture spokesman, gained 125 votes in the second ballot for the vacancy, beating George Robertson, the party's spokesman on Europe, who got 88 votes.

Tony Banks and Clare Short dropped off the short list last week after they falled to poll enough votes between them in the first round to go forward to the next round of the ballot.

Although Mr Robertson was said to be John Smith's favoured candidate, Mr Davies was theoretically the frontrunner having narrowly missed a shadow cabinet place

Mr Smith is to postpone a decision on which portfolio to give Mr Davies until things have settled down a bit. However, he may choose to give him the Welsh post, switching Ann Clwyd to the heritage job vacated by Mr Gould. Mrs Clwyd was never happy about being given the Welsh portfolio and it is argued that her broadcasting background stands her in good stead for heritage. Mr Gould resigned on the

eve of the party conference in Blackpool over the party's newly adopted pro-European

## Jobs bill brought forward

BY ROSS TIEMAN

THE government will today publish its long-delayed em-ployment bill after an unexpected cabinet decision to address the thorny issue of maternity pay in a social services bill at a later date:

Government business managers surprised even employment department officials by finding space in the parlia-mentary timetable for a debate, probably as early as November 16.

Only last week senior Whitehall sources were indicating that the bill was likely to be delayed until Jamuary. It was understood that ministers were wary of being seen to attack the power of the unions at a time when many of the economy's ills were being laid at the government's own

Frank Dobson, Labour's employment spokesman, sug-gested that Gillian Shephard. the employment secretary. does not know if she is coming or going". He added:
"It is clear that she does not believe in the proposals she inherited from Michael Howard. Now it looks as though they are being railroaded through over her head."

The bill is expected to contain most of the measures proposed by Mr Howard in a green paper before the elec-tion. Unions fear that the bill will abolish wages councils, which set minimum pay levels for 2.5 million poorly paid



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SMITH

debate

Maastricht Conservatives not to destroy the Without specifically referring to the vote as one of confidence. Sir Edward made clear that a Tory rebellion against the gov-ernment on such an important issue would be unprecedented in his 40-

year career as a politician. "I cannot recall any epi-sode in which those with a different view were pre-pared to endanger the life

PADDY Ashdown, the

Liberal Democrat leader, delivered a bitter attack on

John Smith and Labour MPs, accising them of being led by

ing against the Maastricht

constantly interrupted by Labour heckling. Mr Ashdown

turned on Mr Smith for trying

to make the vote an issue of

confidence in the government.

possibly the most important

question we have addressed in years. It is about Britain's

position in Europe and not

about the government's pos-

He strongly defended his

own party's decision to vote with the government and drew a parallel with its deci-

sion to support an equally

Rebels

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toe line

SIR Edward Heath, the

former prime minister who took Britain into the EC, last night made an impassioned plea to anti-

I believe the question is

don't believe it is right for them tonight to endanger

paper against Jacquest Delors, the European Commission president; as "sordid, filthy and unworthy". He told MPs: "It

tell M Delors to Frank off by burning Delors

would be more jobs lost and a cost of one night of fun at party is tens of thousands of

lost jobs in Britain as a

Of course the economy was

in a mess and the government

was colpable, but there was

one certain way to make the

mess worse, to cost more people more jobs, and that was for the Maastricht process

Shouting to make himself heard above Labour protests, Mr Ashdown said: We will

not vote for the government. We will vote for Britain's

We will not vote for the prime imasser. We will vote to

save jobs and get the economy going again within the only

consequence."

Opposition accused

of opportunism in

trying to delay treaty

Common Market That had brought electoral success for the Liberals "because we stuck During a speech which was

to our principles.

A clear majorny was in favour of ratification in the Commons, but Patients was prepared to sweep it away by

rather discreditable opportunism. Mr Smith intervened to access Mr Ashgering stale. If the government won the inotion, it would say it liad support for all its policies and the Liberal Democrat leader would have to explain to the public why he had been conned.

there was an argument that by voting against the motion, the government would be damaged. The question that we must answer is whether you will damage the country more. damage on our country if that motion is lost tonight.

would seniain. We will wake up on riday without a general election and without a future in Estrope.

He attacked people who called for Britain to wait for

Denmark is make its own decision on indiffication of the treaty, and added that he could not imagine a more demeaning attitude for Britain than hiding behind the skirts of the Danes:-

The only question to be answered was whether it was in Britain's best interests to ratify the treaty. The Labour party, through its amendment asking for the bill to be delayed until after December's Edinburgh summit had changed fine "towering" issue of Europe into "an opportunity for the Labour party to six on the fence for another six

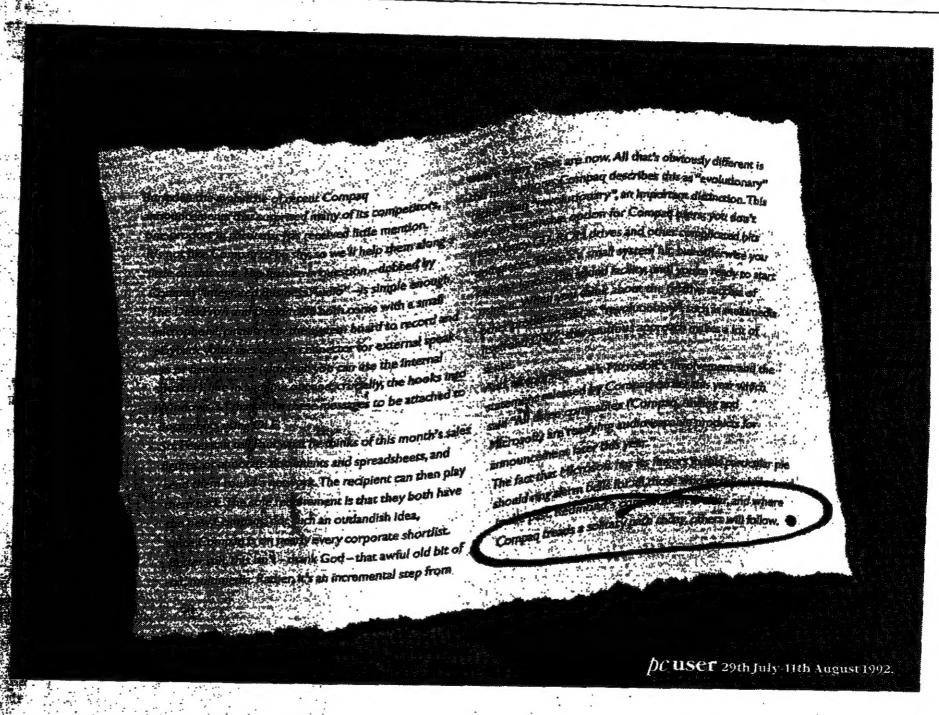


Calling the shots: Michael Spicer, one of the Euro-sceptic ringleaders, rounds up support yesterday

## Role in Europe at risk

BRITAIN'S role in Europe would be threatened if the government was defeated or the Maastricht bill subsequently lost, Paul Channon (Southend W), a former Tory minister, said. The country could not play an effective part in the EC if it did not "sign up to what we have negotiated". Bryan Gould (Dagenham, Lab), said the debate had little to do with the issue of Maastricht but everything to do with bolstering the flag-ging fortunes of a prime Major's claim that Maastricht was a decentralising treaty. saying: "The treaty is clear and it establishes a European union of which henceforth we are all to be citizens."
Tim Renton (Mid Sussex.

C), urged Labour supporters of the treaty to "find a good reason not to be here" for the vote. "I believe that this is a case where the wisdom of Denis Healey turning up late after a good dinner in order way is something they could all practice with benefit."



# hopes played dow

THE Treasury was yesterday trying to dampen down expectations about the recovery package to be announced with the Autumn Statement next week as spending ministers prepared their final defence against spending cuts.

The package, trailed by
John Major when he addressed the Tory backbench

day, is said to be self-financing and largely centres on measures to boost private sector investment through changing Treasury rules and encouraging joint ventures.
There is expected to be some

ture towards releasing cap ital receipts held by local authorities and a boost to the housing market, but the Treasury seems to have been bounced by the prime minist into presenting a package of goodies" for the economy to balance announcements of

cuts and a pay freeze. The measures include ideas which have been under discussion since the party conference in October. The recovery package could be funded by higher taxes. Treasury sources made clear yesterday that the main boost for recovery would come from the Chancellor's underly-

ing economic policy. One Westminster source pointed out that the 2 per cent Cut in interest rates in the past two months would only now be making an impact in lower

for today's cabinet meeting on Public spending. Although



senied, it is said that four spending manisters are still

holding out far entra cash.

Peter Lilley, the social security secretary, Michael Howard, environment, secretary. Malcolm Riftind, defence sec-retary and Virginia Bottomley, health secretary will not accept said to have fought off the more "hairy" plans to cut benefit spending proposed by the Treasury, but less-thaninflation rises in some benefits are still expected.

A freeze on the public sector. ay bill is now expected in projects, though no final decision has been taken.

Although ministers threw out the package of cuts proposed by the EDX committee

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## Woolwich lets parents save youngsters from debt trap

One of the biggest building societies is inviting parents to save their children from the miseries of negative equity but will the ploy boost house prices?

By RACHEL KELLY, PROPERTY CORRESPONDENT

PEOPLE in the housing debt trap could be rescued by their parents under a scheme launched yesterday by the Woolwich building society, the

country's third largest lender. More than a million families owe more than the value of their home and cannot move without paying off the debt. Thousands fall into the trap every month as house prices continue to fall. They fell by 1.2 per cent last month and by 8.7 per cent over the past year, according to a Halifax index yesterday.

In the Woolwich Parent Line scheme, parents would offer their homes as temporary security for a proportion of the child's new mortage. The fresh loan would include the debt from the child's previous house enabling a move.

The young borrower would be responsible for repayments on that part of the loan secured on both their own and their parents' properties. When house prices picked up, the security could go back to the child's house.

The Nationwide, the second largest lender, said that it was working on a similar scheme. The Woolwich estimates that its scheme could help 5.000 of its 500.000 borrowers. Adrian Coles, of the Council of Mortgage Lenders, said: "This is the first example of a major lender bringing forward a full package to tackle the problem of negative equity. It's a proper scheme, fully worked out and very significant."

Lenders have been working out various schemes to deal with negative equity, but most involved borrowers paying higher interest rates if they secured their debt on two properties. Borrowers who adopt the Woolwich scheme will pay its usual rates. There are also incentives: for example, the Woolwich is waiving the valuation fee for the parents' house.

James Barty, senior UK economist from Morgan Grenfell, said: "You do need parents with substantial equity, but I think it's a very clever way out of the problem. Parents do not have to shell out cash, nor do they have to get the money back from their children. The children will repay the building society. It's perfect for children who have the income to afford a bigger mortgage, but do not have the capital to pay off the debt." John Wriglesworth of UBS

Phillips and Drew said: "This is totally innovative and very significant. It will free up thousands of people."

Though the scheme would help the housing market as a whole, Peter Robinson, managing director of the Woolwich, said: "There is a limit to what an individual lender or lenders generally can achieve. What is urgently required is government intervention to jolt the market into action."

Last month, the government allowed building societies to make unsecured loans up to £25,000 to help homebuyers in the debt trap to move. Lenders said that this would help only a few as repayment rates for unsecured loans are double those for



Farewell to charms: one of Marc Bohan's designs for this year's collection; Norman Hartnell photographed

## Queen's dressmaker Hartnell to close

By Liz Smith

SEAMSTRESSES in the Mayfair work-rooms of Hartnell were still finishing orders for custom-made suits and evening dresses yesterday — but the struggle for the survival of London's most celebrated couture house is over.

Founded in 1923 by the late Sir Norman Hartnell, dressmaker to the Queen, the Queen Mother and other members of the royal family, the firm has gone into receivership.

The dowager fashion house had not been allowed to grow old gracefully after Sir Norman's death in 1979. With a dwindling clientele, whose most loyal members were Barbara Cartland and the

Queen Mother, it had fallen on hard times. In 1987 it was saved from the receivers by a consortium headed by Manny Silverman, the former managing director of Moss Bros, who spent more than £6 million in five years in an attempt

to bring it into line with modern times. Sir Norman's glass-panelled 1930s decor in the couture salon was lovingly restored. More importantly, the fashion image of the house was pepped up when Marc Bohan, designer at Dior in Paris for 30 years, was installed in the Hartnell design studios.

Last month, however, M Bohan left with a year of his £1 million three-year contract still to run. The collection he showed at Hartnell in July was predominantly in scarlet and tomato and was hailed as putting "Hartnell in the red". Mr Silverman yesterday blamed the recession and the decline in the market for luxury goods for this final chapter in the fall of the house of Hartnell. "We started to rebuild it in better times, but we have had to struggle with relaunching during the Gulf conflict and battling with the recession ever since," he said. Recent talks with potential Japanese and Ameri-

the Hartnell heyday in the 1950s rose to 300, had dwindled to 18 by yesterday. Roger Harper, the receiver, said its future was unclear. "It looks like the end of the line as one door after another has

can investors fell through. Staff, which in

## Lecturers' strike angers minister

A one-day pay strike by lecturers at the former polytechnics and colleges of higher education received "solid support," closing several universities, the National Association of Teachers in Further and Higher Education said yesterday. Negotiations are deadlocked, with the union seeking 12.5 per cent and employers offering 3.9 per cent and a further 0.75 per cent for incentive payments.

Baroness Blatch, education minister, described the strike, part of a three-day campaign organised by five unions in protest at funding levels in higher education, as deplorable. "It will bring no benefit to the lecturers and will be highly disruptive to the studies of their students," she said. The Association of University Teachers is to lobby Parliament

Association of University Teachers is to lobby Parliament today, demanding an independent system to decide pay.

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## Piggott leaves hospital

Lester Piggott has been discharged from Hollywood Memorial Hospital, Miami, where he was taken on Saturday after falling from a horse during the Breeders' Cup championships. Piggott, 57 today, fractured a collarbone and two ribs and suffered bruising around his right eye when his mount, Mr Brooks, fell during a sprint race. The horse, which broke a leg, was destroyed. It was understood last night that Piggott intended to stay in Florida for a few days before returning to Britain.

## Jury clears barn man

A third man has been cleared of killing teenage twin sisters in a barn fire. A jury at Bristol Crown Court cleared David Harper, 21, of Uckington, Gloucestershire, of the man-slaughter of Rebecca and Emma Harper, both 17. of Cheltenham, to whom he was not related. The prosecution claimed the girls were taken by Mr Harper and two friends to the barn for sex and died after matches were struck. Mr Harper had already been cleared of an arson charge and his two co-defendants of both charges, which all three denied.

## Court backs wife's plea

An Asian woman who says she was emotionally blackmailed into an arranged marriage was given permission yesterday to seek a legal annolment. Lord Sutherland said in a written judgment at the Court of Session in Edinburgh that Shamshad Mahmood could proceed with her case. It is expected to be heard in the new year. Mrs Mahmood, 26, says she was forced into the marriage in 1988 when her parents threatened to disown her, evict her from their house and turn the Pakistani community against her.

## Lawyers support bill

A law to protect people with disabilities from discrimination on the lines of existing laws banning sex and race discrimination was urged yesterday by the Law Society's employment law committee. It said that the civil rights (disabled persons) bill, which received its third reading in the Lords yesterday, could form the basis of the new act. Philip Williams, committee chairman, said: "People with disabilities face particular problems in finding and keeping work. The existing law has failed."

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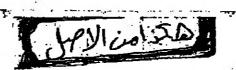


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# New failings force 999 staff to ditch computers

■ The London Ambulance Service has reverted to manual control as management and unions await details of an enquiry into the computer failure

#### By TIM JONES

BRITAIN'S biggest ambulance service, covering London, yesterdayreverted to full manual control after another failure in its computer system forced senior management to concede it could not cope with

As executives from the London Ambulance Service admitted its £1.5 million computer, installed by a Hampshire company, was incapable of coping, Virginia Bottomley, the health secretary, was studying a confidential letter from a computer consultancy which alleges that its warnings of the inadequacy of the system had been ig-

## Cash plea on special teaching

By MATTHEW D'ANCONA EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

COUNCILS must transform their relationship with schools to improve the education of pupils with special needs, the Audit Commission says in a management handbook

It estimates that £53 million is being spent on surplus staffing in special schools and says the money should be spent on pupils with special needs in mainstream schools.

Local education authorities should treat schools as contractors, accountable for the progress of a pupil with special educational needs the commission says. Councils must monitor their special needs policies using objective indicating pupils' needs speedily, and rationalise provision of places in special schools.

The guide also urges councils to delegate funds for pupils with special needs without a formal statement, using their own registration system to

speed payment. A survey published by the commission in June found that some local authorities took more than three years to issue statements, rendering the process "virtually worthless".

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nored. Ian Lund, the manag ing partner of York-based ISI Consultancy Services, special ising in the emergency services, claims in the letter that tenders for the computer contract from experienced providers of command and control systems were ignored in fa-

Martin Gorham, the acting chief executive of the London Ambulance Service, said control room staff noticed early yesterday that the system response was slowing and had instigated computer back-up procedures which failed to solve the problem. Because of the faults, there was a 25minute delay in dispatching one ambulance.

The decision to abandon the computer system, which was supposed to improve the ser-vice, came ten days after John Wilhy, 51, the chief executive of the service, resigned follow-ing union allegations that a breakdown could have con-tributed to the loss of 20 lives. Yesterday, Mr Gorham said the service would not go back to using the computer until all the problems had been solved. The failure of the system will lend additional urgency to the independent enquiry into the way the ambulance servce handles emergency and other

messages.

Mr Gorham said yesterday's difficulties with the computer happened when demand was low and were not as a result of operational congestion, as on the previous occasion. "Since the problems with the computer system at the beginning of last week, the LAS has been operating extra back-up systems, including paper duplicates and voice confirmation to crews," he said. "In addition, the staffing of the control room has been significantly increased. As a result of these measures, call answering times have substantially improved, leading to greater efficiency in allocating

Chris Humphreys, the London officer for Nupe, the ambulance staff union, said: "We did warn last week that even with partial use the system was not safe and events last night and this morning have unfortunately proved us right.

We are happy that the manual system is the safest in the circumstances. I believe it will now have to operate for some time until everybody is

The LAS has challenged Nupe to substantiate its claim that up to 20 people may have died because of the recent computer failure.

## Koreans keep smiling through royal gloom

By Alan Hamilton in London and Joanna Pitman in Seoul

KOREANS are far too polite to say so, but an overseas tour by the Prince and Princess of Wales intended as a public relations drive for Britain and British exports has again descended into a microscopic examination of the couple's

troubled marriage. Yesterday the Daily Mirror advised the couple that, if they could not be bothered to put on a better show in public, they might as well give up. Coverage of the four-day tour in British newspapers has portrayed the couple as unre-lentingly miserable and distant. The fact that many of the pictures were taken while they were visiting a war memorial is not always explained.

British tabloid reporters covering the tour have gone in for the kill, helped by the impending publication next week of an updated paper-back edition of Andrew Morton's biography of the princess, which claims that, after the appearance of the original edition earlier this year, the Duke of Edinburgh wrote to her tearing her off a strip for her behaviour.

One of the tabloid reporters covering the tour told The Times last night: "Diana is using the press again; it is a rerum of the summer. She is looking deliberately unhappy when the cameras are on her to convey a message. She knows she is popular, and she badly wants to remain Prin-

cess of Wales. But she wants to do it on her own. Charles has been completely marginalised, and she is quite happy

about that."

Reports in some newspapers that the princess was dragged kicking and scream ing to Korea against her will, on the express orders of the Queen, are unsubstantiated by Buckingham Palace or any other vaguely reliable source.

The princess seemed at last in her element yesterday, given that it was the day for fulfilling engagements on her own. During visits to a welfare centre and to the Salvation Army, she looked happy and relaxed, and smiled in the direction of the tabloid pack that had spent the past 72 hours calibrating the extent to which she does or does not

The prince spent another day beating the drum for British exports. He opened a "Britain for Korea" fair, joined a business leaders' forum to discuss the environment and promote British environment-related technol-ogy, and visited the national wool textile exports exhibition. Last night, the couple attended a Scottish Ballet

performance of Coppelia. The princess will return home alone today, while the prince proceeds to Hong Kong for Armistice Day cele-



Old acquaintances: Richard Gere in front of a brass statue of Tsong Khapa, an eighteenth century lama

## Film star embraces ancient art of Tibet

By Alison Roberts, arts reporter

RICHARD Gere sauntered into the Royal Academy in London yesterday, took off his dark glasses and leather jacket like a true film star and embraced a young Tibetan monk standing in the foyer.

Gere, prized asset of both Hollywood and Tibet, was in London to revisit the exhibition of sacred art that he helped to set up in San Francisco four years ago. The project was not without difficulties, both political and logistic, but his dedication to the Tibetan cause eventually won over a cautious Ameri-

The first idea I had in 1987 was to start a museum show and that would be the focus of allied, more political activity," he said.

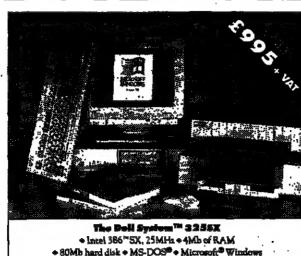
"We withstood enormous pressure getting this put on, but we thought political work would be easier around such beautiful, inviting objects. It's also important to understand what we are trying to save; these are real people with a real, extraordinary

Gere knows well the exhibition of tangka paintings and bronze sculpture. Wisdom and Compassion, the sacred art of Tibet moved to London, where it is sponsored by The Times, from New York in mid-September. It was opened by the Dalai Lama in San Francisco and attracted

a record number of visitors. Gere's philosophy is simi-lar to that of the Dalai Lama, Tibet's spiritual and political leader. "It's not just Buddhism, it is an orientation of service and altruism which, I think, is probably the only way we can be happy on this planet," he said.

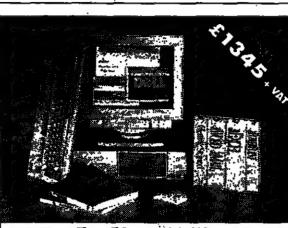
Yesterday, a trio of Tibetan monks were creating two sand mandalas, large geometric shapes representing the Buddha's perfect environment. Gere nervously took up the metal instruments used gently to tap coloured sand into place, bringing laughter

from the monks. A private tour of the exhibition, guided by Gennadi Leonov, exhibition consultant to the Royal Academy. rounded off the visit and Gere left Burlington House to be a humble, multi-million dollar film star again.



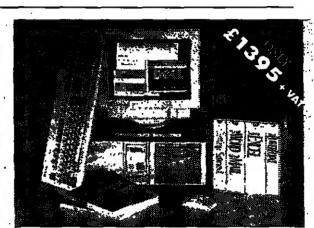
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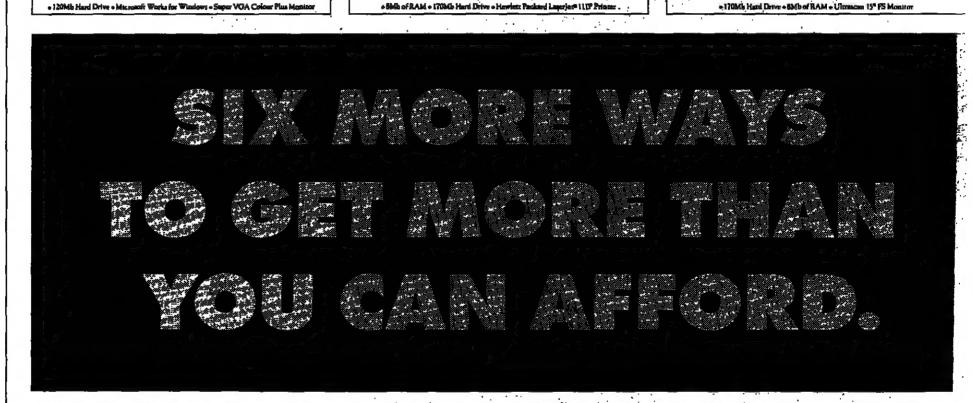
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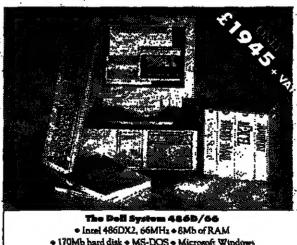
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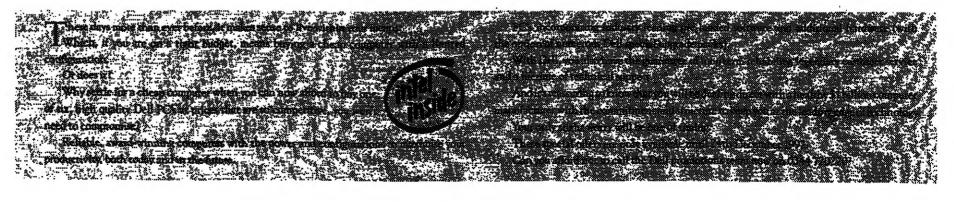


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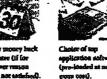






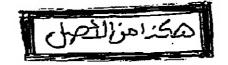






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# King's Cross fireman awarded £147,000 for trauma injuries

By KATE ALDERSON

A FIREMAN who received bravery awards for fighting the King's Cross fire disaster was yesterday awarded £147,683 damages in the High Court, one of the highest awards for a sufferer of posttraumatic stress disorder. Paul Hale, 44, of Minster,

Kent, was described by Mr difficult to tolerate Justice Otton as "probably the most courageous man I shall ever have the privilege to meet". The judge said that Mr Hale's devotion to duty went beyond what could have been expected of anyone on that "fateful evening".

Darnages were awarded

against London Underground Limited which admitted liability for Mr Hale's condition but disputed the amount of

Mr Hale, who was based at Soho fire station, was one of the first fire fighters to arrive at King's Cross. He braved the fire half a dozen times and retrieved six bodies. During the rescue he crawled out of the blaze for more oxygen and returned again to rescue people, in spite of hearing of the death of Colin Townsley. his station officer.

Devastated by his experiences and the death of Mr Townsley, he suffered nightmares and depression during which time his wife Jeanette and their three teenage children considered leaving him.

The judge said that while

Mr Hale suffered only minor burns to his wrists and neck, doctors said his main injury was psychological and the "shattering" experience had left him with post-traumatic stress disorder. Mr Hale had which made him irritable and

Mr Hale told the court that his ordeal had left him "ratty. unbearable, short-tempered and not caring about anybody". In his nightmares he had visions of the dead as skeletons and saw the disfigured shape of Mr Townsley at his desk. Mr Hale won the Queen's Commendation for Brave Conduct, the Chief Fire Officer's Commendation and

the Silver Cross for Gallantry from the Scout Association. After the disaster, he had to



Hale: "A long time

give up fire fighting. He works in the fire prevention service but has been on sick leave for many months. Although promoted this year to station officer he feels that this desk job is second best to fire fighting and fears that he may

never return to the job. After the verdict, he said: "It has taken a long time to get justice but the compensation will give financial security to my family and give us sufficient breathing space to try and rebuild our lives."

The London Fire Brigade Union said yesterday that it was pleased with the award but said it would rather have seen Mr Hale as a fully operational fire fighter.

Neil Garrie, head London Underground's corporate affairs, said that consting the case was unavoidable because much of the evidence in court had not been available before. He added: We wish Mr Hale all the very best for the future."

Andrew Dismore, Hale's solicitor, condemned London Underground's decision to fight the claim. "Although admitting liability they denied throughout that there was anything seriously wrong with him, and offered only £45,000. But a judge rejected their medical evidence. The stresses of coming to court have undoubtedly added to his problems."

Artist's image of Christ splits congregation



A LIFE-SIZE hologram of Christ in a central London church has split the congregation. According to Donald Reeves, the vicar of St James's, Piccadilly, who is known for his courageous support of the arts, some egard it as "quite powerful" and others find it weird.

tions about Christ's emaciated body, and said his outsize extended hands were "frightening". He also regretted that the image looks so

hippy".

The hologram is the work
of the British-born artist Alexander. He believes that the compassionate expression on the face gives it universal powers to move.

Alexander, 65, graduated at St Martin's school of art in central London 40 years ago and has lived for long periods Australia and California Now his work is the subject of the Alexander Festival in London.

From Tuesday, Alexander will put on the world's first holographic art film at the Museum of the Moving Image on the South Bank and exhibition at the Cooling Gallery in Cork Street. Outside the gallery, passers-by will see a hologram of a skull surrounded by barbed wire and accompanied by a gun. entitled "Horrors of War". All this is memorable but.

sceptics ask, is it art? Edward Lucie-Smith, the art critic, thinks so. Art, he said, played an important part in the Renaissance because it communicated strongly to people". Alexander could re-



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## Hendrix drummer loses case

Mitch Mitchell, the drummer in the 1960s rock band led by Jimi Hendrix, yesterday lost a High Court libel claim that he was portayed as a racist in a biography of the part-black, part-Cherokee musician.

The jury decided after 40 minutes that Mr Mitchell, 46, of Rye, East Sussex, was not defamed by David Henderson's The Life of Jimi Hendrix. He faces costs estimated at £50,000 and left court with his girl friend Diana Bonham-Carter, saying: "I am devastat-He said he was

considering an appeal.

Mr Mitchell claimed he was accused of using racial sturs against Hendrix, who died aged 27 in 1970. Andrew Popplewell, for the publishers, Book Sales, said that the book attributed conflict between the men to the drummer's belief in his abilities, aggravated by their different backgrounds. "Hendrix was a poor black American, Mitchell was a privately educated middle-class white man."

#### Children found

A young mother was reunited with her children, aged two and four, who were abducted three months ago from her home in Peterborough, Cambridgeshire. Police found the children after raiding a house in Birmingham and arrested a man aged 29.

#### Body in car

The discovery in a Dartmoor lane of a burnt-out car con-taining a body has led police to issue an appeal for the vehi-cle's owner, Michael John Evans of Mutley, Devon, whom they cannot trace. Dental records will be used to identify the severely burnt body.

#### Bouncing back

A baby thrown into the air when a car hit his pram has recovered from a coma without ill effect. Doctors say the 14-month Liverpool boy probably blacked out before hitting the ground and bounced harmlessly.

#### Crying wolf

Wolf-eyes - red headlight reflectors similar to Catseyes are to be installed on woodland roads in Cannock Chase, Staffordshire, by the British Deer Society to scare deer away from traffic.

#### Mother sought

Police are searching for the mother of newly born twin girls whose bodies were found in the outside lavatory of an empty terrace house in Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire.

#### Steam radio

Railway buffs are tuning to 24-hour vintage steam train sounds broadcast as test transmissions by Wey Valley Radio. Hampshire, until it goes live on November 22.

## **UVF** leader backs jailed man's cause

By Edward Gorman, IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

A FORMER commander in to be broadcast by Channel 4 men, and not the former Ulster Defence Regiment sol-

ical Eve series, Loyalty on the Line, is Channel 4's first investigative documentary on Ulster since the investigation by Box Productions last year of claims of high level collusion between Loyalist para-

militaries and the RUC. That broadcast eventually led to Channel 4 and Box paying a £75,000 fine for contempt of court after they had refused to reveal the identity of their main source in the Loyalist community. The documentary's researcher still faces a charge of perjury in connection with last year's

programme Tonight's broadcast, which the RUC says it will examine carefully, uses an interview with the former UVF commander that is said to demon-

the outlawed Ulster Volunteer Force claims in a documentary this evening that the killer of a Roman Catholic man in Armagh in 1983 was one of his

dier currently serving a life sentence for the murder. The programme in the Crit-

strate that Neil Latimer, one of the so-called UDR Four originally convicted of the murder of Adrian Carroll, could not

have been his killer. In July this year three of the soldiers had their convictions quashed by the Court of Appeal in Belfast. Latimer's conviction was upheld on the basis of identification evidence, his own admissions of guilt and the court's opinion that he lied in the witness box.

The UVF commander, who was interviewed but is not shown on screen, says Mr Carroll was killed by a UVF hit team. He says the unit was not based in Armagh but came from outside to commit the murder, which happened at lunchtime as Mr Carroll, 24. was returning home. He tells the programme that the real killer "is pretty well known by the security forces" and had been involved in many killings

An RUC spokesman said the programme's claims were likely to be something they would have to follow up. although it would be wrong to comment before the programme was shown.

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"WHAT a beautiful child." These are the words which every parent wants to hear. around the supermarket with our little son Silas in her trolley when an elderly woman came up, beamed and said: "What a beautiful child!" My wife blushed politely and thanked the old ady, who continued to pour forth her lavish compli-ments. What lovely hair! And hasn't he got a smash-ing smile! Are you a good boy, are you? I bet he is!"

The old lady moved on, and my wife continued her shopping with an uplifted heart. But five minutes later, at the end of an aisle, she came across the same old woman in conversation with

ing smile! Are you a good girl, are you? I bet she is!" It reminded me of a time in Hatchard's ten years ago. I took As I Lay Dying by William Faulkner to the counter. "Faulkner! My favourite novelist" said the assistant, as he took my change and placed the ap-plauded work in a paper bag Just as there is embarrassment to be suffered in buying a book too vulgar or ribald, so there is pride to be gained in buying a book which the bookseller re-

gards so highly.

I went away feeling jubilant, as if I had pulled out the winning number in a raffle. But as I was leaving the shop, I overheard the assistant saying: "James Clavell My favourite novelist!" to a suitably gratified

gentleman in tweeds.

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Disconsolate exiles confront bleak destiny as they flee 'ethnic cleansing' into the jaws of winter

# Cold and starving refugees swamp Bosnia aid teams

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CAMA Halaba had the hardened look of a woman accustomed to the deprivations of life. Her hair was unwashed. her denim skirt and grey jacket had not been changed in a week, and she casually ignored the incessant wailing of Elvir, her infant son.

All that mattered to her yesterday morning as she queued with other refugees at this border town near Croatia was that she would receive her daily ration of bread and tinned mackerel from the Red Cross and that by the evening she might find somewhere dry and warm for the night.

"I left my home in Jajce one week ago with my son and one bag of clothes," she said, describing her part in the exodus of 25,000 Muslims and Croats, in the largest "ethnic cleansing" operation yet mounted by the Serbs. Just before Jajce fell, she locked the door or her home, set off on foot the mark the set off on foot through the woods, and emerged 48 hours later in the

A greater tragedy is looming. The world is shutting its doors to refugees, while winter is adding to the deprivations of war

town of Travnik part of a desperate wave of humanity which has flooded all available

resources.
"Now 1 am trying to get to
Croatia and see my husband
who was wounded five months ago and is in hospital at Zagreb, but they unned me back at the border. She said, hurriedely wiping away a tear as she checked a momentary

lapse into self-pity.

The tale of her grim, six-day odyssey was recommed in an unemotional manner part of her transformation from a young middle class mother into a tough new member of Bosnia's itinerant army. Certainly the story drew little interest from her fellow exiles at the shabby refugee camp in an abandoned school build-ing where hundreds of home less people have been stranded

Croatian border guards. Febro Ahmic, a miner, has been stuck at Posnsje for three months with his wife and

disabled daughter, unable to return home to Serb-controlled Doboj and forbidden from joining relatives in Croatia. We are left to share destiny with the people around us," he said from his corner of the school's former gymnasium, where hundreds of refugees are crammed.

The situation is repeated across Bosnia where the homeless have occupied schools and factories in a rush to find shelter before the onset of winter. Aid agencies fear that the effects of the cold, the continuing war and the shortage of food and medicines could lead to an even greater humanitarian tragedy. "They keep coming, but we just do not know where to put

them all," said Angelica Begic, the hard-pressed Red Cross official who can no longer find space for the homeless

Some of her compatrious, however, are willing to offer accommodation, so long as rent is paid in advance. Others are less scrupulous and have found a lucrative business in selling the wretched displaced people false letters of transit into Croatia at 50 marks a piece.

"It's a bloody disgrace," said one Western aid worker. "Unless you have money to spend, no one wants to help you." Despite appeals from the United Nations for countries

to help absorb the homeless, their numbers are increasing far more rapidly than the world's ability or inclination to take them. That was clearly demonstrated this week when ten buses were turned back at the Croatian fromier.

Zagreb argues that it is already struggling to meet the demands of 700,000 refugees and displaced people, who have overwhelmed the meagre



No hiding place: a Bosnian Muslim woman refugee from the town of Jajce cradling her baby grandson after being turned back from the Croatian border at Posusje

## Serbs lift threat to peace talks

By Alan McGregor IN GENEVA AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

BOSNIAN Serbs have not carried out a threat to withdraw from the Geneva international conference on the former Yugoslavia, Radovan Karadzic, their leader, has also signed an accord providing for the immediate stationing of up to 40 United Nations military observers at six airports in Croatia and Bosnia-Herzegovina, including two in the Banja Luca region.

monitoring of the security council's ban on flights over Bosnia by warring factions.

Fighting for the remaining handful of Muslim-held towns in Bosnia raged on yesterday despite the deployment of more UN peacekeepers and mediators' attempts to end seven months of war. Bosnian radio said Serb forces had stepped up their bom-bardment of Olovo, 25 miles north of Sarajevo, and had brought in more tanks and

## UN pushes for deal on convoy safety

FROM MICHAEL EVANS IN ZAGREB

A FRESH attempt will be made today to persuade the commanders of the three factions in Bosnia-Herzegovina to guarantee freedom of movement for all United Nations

vehicles and convoys.

The Croat and Muslim commanders have agreed, but so far the Serbs have insisted on reserving the right to stop and inspect any convoy passing through areas controlled by their forces. At a meeting in Zagreb today of the so-called mixed military convents. mixed military group, Gener-al Ratko Mladic, the head of the Serb forces in Bosnia, is expected to maintain the

General Philippe Morillon, the French commander of the UN forces in Bosnia, has warned General Mladic that the humanitarian relief effort depends on total freedom of movement for the convoys. General Morillon, who is based in Sarajevo, has to pass through Serb, Croat and Mustim checkpoints whenever he visits the UN headquarters now being set up at Kisiljak, west of the Bosnian capital.

the UN relief operation will come later today when a convoy tries to reach villages in Serb-held eastern Bosnia, near the border with Serbia, where no aid has been distribfor more than 200 days". The convoy will start from Belgrade, picking up a military escort near Sarajevo. General Morillon's headquarters said yesterday that

wandering around in the woods in eastern Bosnia without food and proper clothing. Previous attempts to deliver aid to that part of Bosnia have been blocked by the Serbs.

The general has suggested that inspection points should that inspection points should be set up along the routes from Belgrade. Zagreb and Split, where UN convoys could be checked by liaison officers from the three factions. A spokesman said: "They could inspect the loading and verify the cargo manifest, and that would help to build confidence." The convoys would then be left alone to reach their then be left alone to reach their destinations. But there has been no agreement so far to

Dalmatian coast to Pioce and then north to Mostar and Sarajevo. Convoys are being hampered constantly by the fighting around Mostar.

In Zagreb yesterday, Cedric Thomberry, the UN director of civil affairs in the city, said if the security council were to expand the mandate in Bosnia to provide temporary camps for the thousands of refugees who are fleeing the war zones and unable to cross the border into Croatia.

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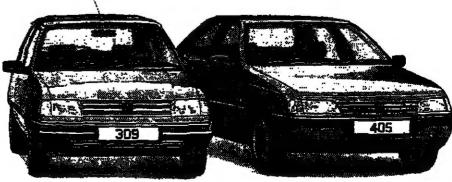
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## Lorry auction marks drive to free market

FROM BRUCE CLARE IN NIZHNY NOVGOROD

On the face of it, a heroic chapter in Russia's long march away from socialism was written in this city last weekend.

Under the beneficent gaze of Boris Nemtsov, 32, the city's governor and a golden boy of Russian re-form, hundreds of potential entrepreneurs packed the city's pre-revolutionary market place and bid energetically for rickety old lorries. That might not seem sufficiently momen-tous to justify the presence of senior American diplomats and a gaggle of bu-reaucrats from the International Finance Corporation. But one has to have lived in Russia to realise how the state monopoly on road haulage contributes to snarling up

the economy. The weekend sale saw the "unbundling" of the state body which accounted for 90 per cent of haulage around Nizhny Novgorod (formerly Gorky) into 42 private companies. About 1,200 of the monopoly's 8,000 lorries were auctioned individually to the highest bidder, with prices ranging from 110,000 roubles (about £200) to ten

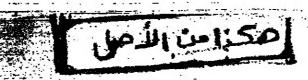
times more. Although the heads of the haulage monopoly had threatened to block Mr Nemtsov's privatisation plans with a strike, he stood his ground. Inevitably, there were grumbles that

the auction was rigged by argument against any privatisation sale in Ru But on balance, Mr Nem-tsov must be credited for an exemplary exercise. Mr Nemtsov and his

adviser, Grigori Yav-linsky, have been using the publicity surrounding their pio-neering reforms in Nizhny Novgorod to promote their view of Russia's wider crisis, which is that economic reforms will not work amid political instability. They believe that President Yeltsin must strike a reasonable compromise with the hardline legislature for the hardline legislature for the sake of social peace.

H owever, Mr Yeltsin's plans for tackling the hardline challenge involve a deal with regional bosses, who are less progressive, and not with the bright young Nemtsovs. The re-gional bosses are among the few allies he has cultivated in his attempt to tend off the attack which the hardliners are planning at next month's Congress of

People's Deputies. Devolving some power to the regions and then using them as a counterweight to the Moscow hardliners is a high-risk strategy. Mikhail Gorbachev, the former president, attempted it when he tried to stop the union from collapsing. It bought him time, but ended



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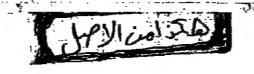
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# Tehran crowd chants anti-US slogans as American 'spy' is held

By DAVID WATTS IN LONDON AND MECHAEL THEODOULOU IN NICOSIA

AMERICA'S past appeared to be coming back to haunt President-elect Bill Clinton within hours of his victory yesterday when Iranians poured into the streets of Tehran on the 13th anniversaty of the takeover of the US embassy shouting "Death to America" and a United States cinzen was held on spying

The nightmare is a real one for a Democratic incumbent whose predecessor, Jimmy Carter, saw his tenure undermined and ultimately destroyed, at least in part. through an America rendered impotent in foreign affairs throughout the 444 days its diplomats were held bound and blindfolded in the embassy in Tehran.

At the centre of the sudden, savage deterioration in relations is Milton Meyer, a soft-spoken 58-year-old travel agent who has always ap-peared unaware of his potential vulnerability. He has lived for a long time in the Iranian capital, is married to an Iranian and is a familiar fixture in the expatriate community in

The charges against him, too, are familiar. According to the Iranian News Agency, the interior ministry accuses Mr Meyer of "contacts with intelligence agents ... the illegal creation of several commercial firms ... collecting important economic information and identifying leading elements at commercial institutions".

It also said that he had received hundreds of thousands of dollars for information supplied to foreign

companies".
Ominously for Mr Meyer, the agency reported that he is a brother in-law of Nema-toliah Nasiri, chief of the hated Savak intelligence agnecy under the late Shah, who was executed after the 1979 Islamic revolution.

The American, who settled in Iran before the revolution. against the Shah, stayed on



Khamener expects US hostility to continue

"under the pretent that his wife was Iranian", said the agency.

Mr Meyer is the first Ameri-

can to be arrested in Iran since John Pattis in 1986, who served five years in fail on charges of spying for the Central Intelligence Agency. Mr Pattis had spent 16 years installing telecommunications systems for the Iranian

Thoosands of students and factory workers were reportedly ferried in by bus to burn American flags and chant "Death to America", "Death to Israel", and "Death to the Serbs fighting Muslims in

"You know Bush has lost and Clinton won. What we have to say to the new administration is "Death to Ameri-ca'," a speaker told the rally, which marked the day in 1979 when Iranian students took over the embassy. School-children wearing headbands carrying the same slogan took up the chant and burned the American flag and effigies of "Uncle Sam" only hours after Mr Clinton defeated Presidens Bush.

"Between us and the United States there is infinite distance," the Speaker of the

Ali Akbar Natec Nuri, told the crowd. There was no possibility of compromise between the United States and Iran because of their diametrically opposed strategies, he de-clared. He said Washington was "at the root of all cvil suffered by the world's Mus-

lim community.

Condemning the deployment of an American miclear submarine in the Gulf, the speaker said that Washington was "fanning tensions to reinforce their military presence"

The nuclear-powered submarine Topeka entered the Gulf on Monday night, ahead of the expected arrival of an Iranian submarine in the next few days on delivery from

The Tehran Times, in a ading article written before the conclusion of the presidential election in the United States, predicted that there would be little change in Washington's policy towards

\*A desire for hegemony is so deep-rooted in the psyche of the American political estab-lishment that the new presi-dent, even a Democrat, has no choice but to tread down the path recognised as the norm in traditional American foreign policy," it said.
"Our experience... during

the past half a century has left us with no illusions about either Republican or Demo-cratic administrations." Hardline students refused

to join the government-organised rally and were due to hold their own demonstra-

The country's spiritual leader, Ayatoliah Ali Khamenei, said meanwhile that the new American president would be bound to maintain "the hostility of the United States towards the leaders and people of Iran". Ayatollah Khamenei predicted that "the new president will waste no time in accusing other countries of



Burning hatred: Iranian demonstrators set fire to an American flag outside the former US embassy in Tehran yesterday, the thirteenth anniversary of the seizure of the building and staff who were held for 444 days

## Village entrepreneur dishes up TV feast

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN CHITYALA, ANDHRA PRADESH

villages, where four-fifths of Indians live.

Satellite dishes are illegal, but tens of thousands are

appearing across the country

dead, or at least irrelevant.

Bored by state-controlled

propaganda and a ceaseless

outpouring of drab cultural

programmes, village India ev-

A SATELLITE dish on the roof of Ram Mohan's television repair shop in the poor southern village of Chityala reveals the immense power of a revolution which is touching practically every corner of rural India.

He has booked up 50 homes — some of them mud huts — within a half-mile radius so that families can watch, without understanding a word, the BBC news, Australian soap operas and a ciutch of American comedies.

The foreign television invasion in India is sweeping into rural areas with astonishing speed. For the government, this is alarming news. It had essumed that its television

English words are quickly creeping into the vocabulary, confirming government fears-about cultural contamination. Every young Indian knows what MTV is the programme that shows girls.

without anyhody being prose-cuted. The speed of the inva-sion has left the government Mr Mohan charges 100 rupees (£2.30) a month for a cable connection. That is within the reach of better-off without a policy to deal with it. It means TV censorship is Mr Mohan says that there are 1,000 television sets in people in the village. In some cases, several poorer families share the monthly see and Chityala for a population of 15,000, all but a few of them crowd into one house to secondhand black-and-white watch television. models usually bought with

Mr Mohan's customers get Star Plus from Hong Kong. which supplies non-stop entertainment that seems to leave people agog. For the first time, poor people are seeing how the wealthy West Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous are great favourites. To the government's disgust, the satellite package being distributed around india also includes Urdu-language Pakistan television, which can be understood by nundreds of millions of Hindi-speaking Indians. For the first time, Pakistani propaganda is becoming available to the Indian masses.

Doordarshan, the Indian becomes the land of the Indian control of the

television station, has been trying to fend off the foreign invasion with a new format of Hindi films and entertainment programmes. It has been a flop, largely because the six-channel satellite package offered by entrepreneurs such as Mr Mohan includes a 24-hour Hindi film channel.

## 2 3 3 3 3 3 3 5 5 Westerners in Angola evacuated

Luanda: America, France and Britain evacuated nationals from the Angolan capital yesterday as a three-day truce continued to hold (Miles Bredin writes). But diplomats fear fighting between Unita rebels and the ruling MPLA. which devastated buildings in Luanda and left more than 1,000 dead, could resume at any moment

Clashes are still continuing in the provinces, but hopes of a dialogue between the two sides grew after a Unita general said that Jonas Savimbi, the rebel leader, was prepared to hold talks in Luanda with the

#### **Rawlings leads**

Accra: Jerry Rawlings, the Ghanaian leader, took an ear-ly lead in the first presidential elections since he seized power in 1981. Results from 77 of the 200 constituencies gave him just over 52 per cent of the

#### Lebanon plea

Beirut: The Lebanese government requested help from Syria and Cyprus to fight fires that are raging on many of the country's wooded mountain slopes, and described the fires as being "an environmental catastrophe". (AP)

#### Charter ended

Prague: Charter 77, the buman rights movement that helped to bring to an end four decades of communist rule in Czechoslovakia, ceased operations, saying that it had ful-filled in role.

#### Peking agenda

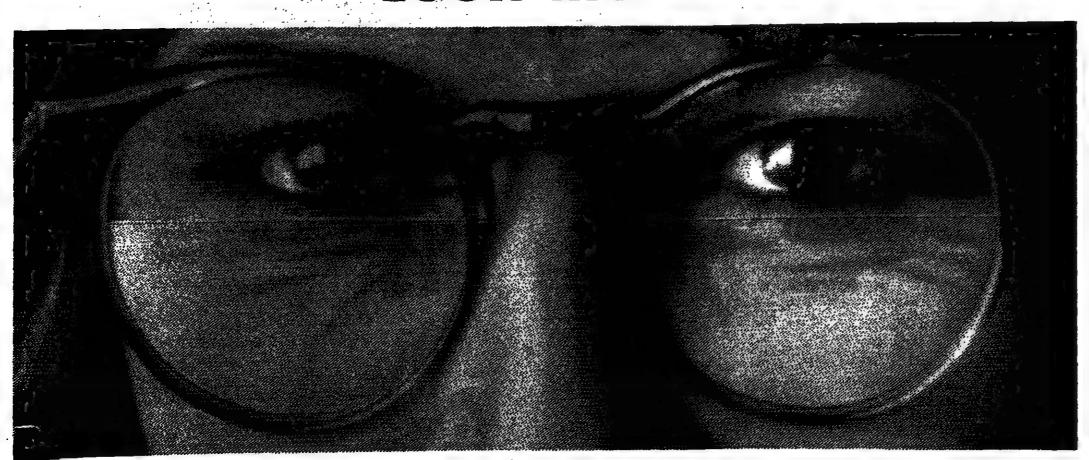
Peking: Parliament here has added to the agenda for its meeting on Saturday a debate on plans for democratisation in Hong Kong put forward by Chris Patten, the governor.

#### Premier named

Bucharest: President Iliescu of Romania has named as prime minister Nicolae Vacaroiu, 49, an economist experienced



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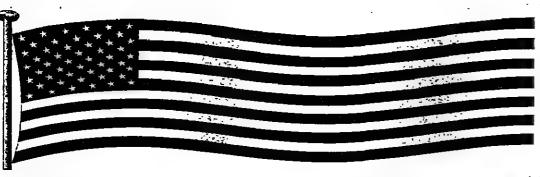


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## Trade war is likely to darken succession

FROM GEORGE BROCK IN BRUSSELS

THE transition from the Bush era to the Clinton administration seems likely to be clouded by the looming threat of a billiondollar trade war between America and Europe.

The conflict has been provoked by the breakdown in farm subsidy talks, which has deadlocked long-running at-tempts to boost world trade. As the American poils closed on Tuesday night talks between teams of EC and American negotiators over a long-running dispute about European oilseed production broke up in Chicago without any agreement which might allow the 105 nations in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) to complete a new trade liberalisation treaty.

No new talks are planned. Instead, American officials yesterday asked the Gatt council in Geneva to endorse punitive tariffs on European goods entering the American market. EC officials have said that the Community will retaliate with raised tariffs on American imports.

The opening salvo of American sanctions would be directed at French food exports, since US negotiators believe that the barrage of threats from Paris ped scupper talks which have come close to success several times.

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THIS CHRISTMAS SEVERAL OF

## **Allies of US** worry as focus shifts to the home front

By Charles Bremner and Sheila Gunn

ANXIOUS allies and adversaries of the United States engaged yesterday in an exer-cise which George Bush wielded as a scare tactic during the campaign — imagining the inexperienced Bill Clinton as world statesman.

Mr Bush, a president who spent much of his career in the national security bureaucracy, leaves an agenda ranging from Middle East peace through the turmoil in East-ern Europe to attempts to

#### **FOREIGN** POLICY

forge a new world trade pact. Foreign policy figured less in this post-Cold war election than in any presidential con-test for over haif a century and the Arkansas governor starts a virtual novice in the field, a "bozo" in Mr Bush's unfortunate words. However, President-elect Clinton has laid down an outline of his intentions and some winners and losers are clearly discernible.

Israel, for example, can celebrate the return of a pro-Israeli president as the year-old Middle East peace talks open again in Washington. Washington's ties with Israel were sorely strained during the Bush leadership. China's old leaders must be worried because Mr Clinton wants to elevate human rights as a factor in relations. Yesterday Peking declined to comment

Thirteen years after the seizure of the US embassy and

the fall of President Carter, Iran may be hoping that it has landed another idealistic neophyte in the White House. News yesterday of the arrest of an American businessman and the rise this week in the bounty on author Salman Rushdie suggest that Tehran is in no mood for compromise with the Great Satan.

Iraq yesterday was celebrating what the official media tried to project as President Saddam Hussein's ultimate triumph over Mr Bush, his Gulf war nemesis. But one paper was quick to point out that Baghdad could expect little goodwill from his successor, describing Mr Clinton as a "chameleon" and a "clever magician ... obsessed with the game of power". In Ku-wait, where Mr Bush's role in the liberation of the country from Iraq earned him pin-up status, there was gloom.
Although John Major, who

got on well with Mr Bush given their Gulf war ties, performed his diplomatic "duty" by sending goodwill messages to both Mr Clinton and Mr Bush, the Democrats' victory has inevitably depressed the Tory hierarchy. With the British prime minister under pressure at home, the change of administration is just something more for him to worry about. There is also the psychological fillip for Labour in having America "vote for change"; for more John Smith-style policies and turning its back on the Reagan-Thatcher era. The

British government will also



his victory was a call "to face the challenges of the end of the Cold war and beginning of the next century"

be less than enthusiastic about Mr Clinton's proposal for a special peace envoy to Northem Ireland, and his support for the "McBride principles", drawn up by a US congress-man, which link trade to assurances of no religious discrimination in the

province.

Helmut Kohl, the German chancellor, congratulated Mr Clinton, emphasising that "in the future too, we need to stand shoulder to shoulder with America". President Yeltsin of Russia called for a closer partnership.

in Europe and Asia, Mr Clinton has promised a continued US presence, but he plans to pull troops back faster than Mr Bush and, with the old nuclear threat giving way to a rash of local nationalist

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tion will have to contend with a strong isolationist mood at home. America's allies have cause for both comfort and worry over the main thrust of the sea change which the Clinton team promises in Washington's approach to the world. This springs from Mr Clinton's conviction that renewed US leadership depends on a revived economy and social healing at home.

A man whose entire career has been focused on domestic, economic matters, Mr Clinton does not share Mr Bush's relish for the niceties and nuances of diplomacy and will not mind ruffling foreign feathers in the interest of American jobs and closing the huge budget deficit. This could at worst translate into a trade war to shield US markets, particularly with the current Uruguay round in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) near to collapse. Even if some accord is reached. Mr Clinton's team has indicated it will review it. A healthy, industrially com-

netitive America will enable Mr Clinton to focus on what

his advisers call an approach to foreign policy that will break with the long-established focus on military security and deal-making with sometimes disreputable partners. "George Bush was the typewriter repairman in the age of the computer," says Michael Mandelbaum, a professor at Johns Hopkins University and a Clinton adviser. In contrast, Mr Mandelbaum sees Mr Clinton promoting

democracy "in a new foreign policy for a new world that

Bush did not comprehend". The Clinton crew insists the new world order now demands that it tackle a menu of troubles neglected by the Reagan and Bush administrations. These "threats without enemies" include global environmental and population is-sues, a forte of Al Gore, Mr Clinton's deputy, as well as the looming crunch over refugees and immigration. These tie in with issues such as taxation on oil which straddle the barrier between domestic and foreign

policy.

Many old hands expect the Clinton-Gore team to modify rather than break with the smooth-running diplomatic machine forged by James Baker, Mr Bush's dominant Secretary of State. Candidates for Secretary of State include Warren Christopher, a deputy secretary under Mr Carter, and Lee Hamilton, the Indiana Congressman and foreign affairs expert.

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time. If he adds to the deficit.

The question is whether the

liberal programmes Mr Clin-

ton has proposed will add to

the crippling deficit - and, if

they do, whether he will have

to trim back spending pro-

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or even confront, organised labour, teachers, black groups

and other Democrat support-

Only last week he lowered

expectations by telling voters in Florida: "You and I know

we didn't get into this mess

overnight and we're not going to get out of it overnight either."

ers who voted him in.

## 'I still believe in a place called Hope'

THIS is a partial text of President-elect Clinton's vic-tory speech in Little Rock: My fellow Americans, on this day, with high hopes and brave hearts and massive numbers, the American people have voted to make a

new beginning.
This election is a clarion call for our country to face the challenges of the end of the Cold war and beginning of the next century, to restore growth to our country and opportunity to our people, to opportunity to our people, so empower our own people so that they can take more responsibility for their own lives, to face problems too long ignored, from Aids to the environment to the conversion of our economy from a defence to a domestic giant.

Not very long ago, I re-ceived a telephone call from President Bush. It was a generous and forthcoming telephone call, of real congratulations. I want all of you to join with me in expressi gratitude to President Bush for his lifetime of public

#### VICTORY SPEECH

We will seek the best and most able and most committed people throughout this country to be a part of our team. We will ask the Demo-crats who believe in our cause to come forward, but we will look, too, among the ranks of independents and Republicans who are willing to roll up their sleeves and get on with dealing with this nation's

I say to all those who voted for Mr. Bush or Mr Perot, I know you love your country too. I ask you to listen to the voice of your leaders: I ask you United States, with a new sense of patriotism to face the challenges of this new time.

When we seek to offer young people the opportunity to borrow the money they need to go to college and the challenge to pay it back through national service, when we challenge the insurance companies, the drug companies, the providers and the consumers, the government to give us a new health care system, when we offer those on welfare new opportunity in the challenge to move to work — all of this is a part of a new patriotism to lift our

people up.
I accept tonight the responsibility that you have given me. I accept it with a full heart and a joyous spirit, but I ask you to be Americans again too, to be interested not just in getting but in giving, not just in placing blame but now in assuming responsibility, not just in looking out for yourselves but in looking out for others too.

If we have no sense of community, the American dream will continue to wither. Our destiny is bound up with the destiny of every American. We're all in this together, and we will rise or fall together. Together we can do it. I still believe in a place called Hope.

God biess America.

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## Democrats' scope for growth limited by deficit and debt

FROM JAMIE DETTMER IN WASHINGTON

ter in 1980. In his first 100

WHEN Abraham Lincoln won the 1860 election, he turned to reporters and said: "Well, boys, your troubles are over now, mine have just begun." High on Bill Chin-ton's list of troubles is the stuggish American economy.

The deficit was a record \$290 billion (£187 billion) in the 1992 fiscal year which ended last month, projected to reach \$400 billion in the current fiscal year. Some doubt whether Mr Clinton will achieve his aim of halving it while increasing public spending.

He wants to boost the economy with public and private investment, and to launch a \$20 billion "rebuild America" programme, with investment in transport, communi-cations, health care and education; spending cuts in defence, and higher taxes for multinationals and richer

He also wants officials - not necessarily Democrats — for an "economic security council" to co-ordinate foreign and trade policy. But commentators argue

that the economic crisis facing America is as serious as that Franklin Roosevelt confronted in the 1930s. Another comparison is the stagilation that Ronald Reagan had to cope with after beating Jiromy Cardays, President Reagan went Wall Street and the internafor growth and tax cuts: tional money markets will disapprove and the dollar America's economic difficulcould be damaged as quickly as sterling was two months

ties are not altogether analagous with 1980, however. Inflation is low, rather than soaring. Mr Clinton's America is suffering from high unemployment; personal incomes are stagnant; medical costs swallow up 15 per cent of

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the national output, manufac-turing industry is losing jobs and plants to overseas competitors.

With a national debt of \$4,000 billion, four times what it was a decade ago, Mr Clinton's room for manoeuvre to stimulate growth and to get America back to work is

Wall Street analysts say the only way out is to cut federal spending and social security expenditure, ration health care, introduce a modest economic stimulus package and provide tax breaks for business and investment.
If federal budget reductions

are not large enough, then income taxes will have to be raised, endangering recovery and the chances of Mr Clinton's re-election in four years





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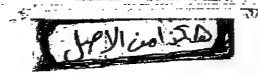
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# West Coast ushers in era of Cagney and Lacey politics



Feinstein: making

FROM WILLIAM CASH IN LOS ANGELES

THE runaway Senate victory victories in five of the past six of Dianne Feinstein and the narrow win of Barbara Boxer. presidential elections.
It was the biggest Democratic victory since 1958 when her fellow Democrat, was claimed as a watershed in the Edmund Brown was elected governor. California has not had two Democratic senators fight for women's rights. marking a historic end to 1992 — the year of the woman. It is the first time a serving under a Democratic president since before the Civil war, when James Buchanan was in the White House. state has elected women to both senatorial seats. Bill Clinton's prize of the Tonight history is being

state's 54 electoral votes and made," said Dianne Feinstein the joint female sweep of in her acceptance speech. Ms California's two Senate seats, which were being contested together for the first time in Feinstein is a former San Francisco mayor who was defeated for the governorship of California in 1990 by Pete state history, gave the Democrats their most significant election victory in California Wilson. Her victory was especially sweet as she easily beat Mr Wilson's old friend, the for over 30 years. The state has incumbent Republican senabeen pivotal to Republican

CALIFORNIA

tor, John Seymour, widely viewed as a symbol of Washington gridlock and an exponent of Bush-style economics. He was personally appointed by Mr Wilson after the latter resigned his Senate seat. Mr Seymour is seen as a victim of his own negative campaign against Ms Feinstein. He failed to establish a rapport with voters and until a few weeks ago 50 per cent of them

had no idea who he was. Ms Boxer had a harder fight and won a narrower victory over her opponent. Bruce Herschensohn, a 60year-old conservative Republican. A widely respected television and radio commenBoth Ms Boxer and Ms

tator. Mr Herschensohn used his media skills to gain nearly 22 per cent on Ms Boxer in a month. He made much of her misuse of congressional perks and for bouncing 142 cheques with the now defunct House Ms Boxer's victory, on a platform of full abortion rights and \$150 billion (£96 billion)

defence cuts, was helped over the final weekend by touring California with the widely popular Ms Feinstein. The team likened themselves to the television cop team Cagney and Lacey. In contrast the two Republican candidates rarely mentioned each other and campaigned alone, failing to

Feinstein are based in San Francisco, the first time since 1945 that both Senate seats have been taken by candidates based in northern California. Speaking in San Francisco after her victory, Ms Boxer said: "Once again California is on the cutting edge of history, sending two women to the US Senate... I am here to tell you that the American people have taken back their

country."

Despite California's reputation for trend-setting, most of the controversial state propositions - in particular a measure that would have legalised eathanasia — were rejected. Mr Wilson's welfare and

rejected by the voters, a rebuff that is being regarded as a vote of no confidence in his

administration.
A CNN poll found that more than 70 per cent of gays and lesbians who voted backed Mr Clinton. In West Hollywood several hundred gays and lesbians danced in the streets on Tuesday night, celebrating what they saw as a victory for minority rights.

But perhaps the most poi-gnant sign of the changing times on Wednesday morning was a large cardboard film poster of Arnold Schwarzenegger in full battle gear ready for action. The poster read: "It's nothing per-sonal. Terminate Bush: Judgment Day - November 3".



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Schwarzenegger: Bus supporter ridiculed

# New first lady leads way as women show voting power

FROM KATE MUIR AND MARTIN FLETCHER

HILLARY Clinton is to become the first professional working woman in the White House, and women will be in the new Congress in force. Blacks and Hispanics were also elected to Congress in record numbers.

There is a paradox at the heart of the Hillary Clinton phenomenon: an intelligent professional woman was obliged, for electoral reasons, to take on the persona of the political wife. She cast adoring glances at her husband, she had her image "made over". she engaged in cookie-baking contests with Barbara Bush. But she embodies the fact that America's "Year of the Woman" has become more than a slogan.

The number of woman senators increased from two to six, four new Democrats joining the incumbents, one Republican and one Democrat. For the first time a black



woman. Carol Moseley Braun, became a senator, and California filled both its seats with women. Even more won races for the House of Representatives, bringing the esti-mated total of women in government from 31 to 52 out

President-elect Clinton announced that he believed his wife would be "one of the greatest first ladies in the history of this republic". Mrs Clinton says she intends to be "a parmer" in her new role, as well as "a symbol of women's concerns and interests".

But it was not just women in the White House and Con-

gress that mattered in this

WOMEN AND MINORITIES.

en's votes, making them 54 per cent of the electorate, pushed victory solidly into Mr Clinton's reach — 47 per cent of women voted Democratic, compared with 41 per cent of men. President Bush won 37 per cent of male votes and 36 per cent of female, while Mr Perot was supported by 21 per cent of men but only 17 per cent of women.

"The sound you just heard was shattering — the shatter-ing of the glass ceiling for women." said Leslie Byrne. the newly-elected Virginia representative, in her victory speech to cheering Democrats. After her opponent doubted her chances because she was "just a mom in tennis shoes". Washington state's Patty Murray turned the phrase into a rallying cry and defeated Ron Chandler, the Republican, to the Senate.

Patricia Schroeder, a wellseasoned Democratic representative, said she expected women and other new arrivals would kick Washington out of something up on the scoreboard when they go home. It's like our own little perestroika.

Some of those who concentrated too much on women's issues and not enough on the country's main concern - the economy - were in for a shock. Lynn Yeakel, a Pennsylvania Democrat who had been beating incumbent Senator Arlen Specter in polls earlier in the year, found her campaign lacked both muscle and money. Mr Specter won, despite being notorious for his aggressive questioning of Anita Hill during the Clarence

Thomas hearings. On Mr Clinton's coattails the Democrats strengthened their hold on the Senate by one seat, restricted the Republicans to far fewer gains than they had hoped for in the House, and won eight out of 12 state governors' races, a net gain of two.

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victory celebration at the Old Statehouse in Little Rock, headquarters of the Arkansas administration

rado's Ben Nighthorse Campbell, a former congressman of Chevenne descent. He is the first American Indian senator since 1929. The three incumbents who lost were Terry Sanford, a North Carolina Democrat, and Republicans John Seymour of California and Robert Kasten of Wisconsin. The Democrats now have 58 Senators to the Republicans 42, and the Republicans' only solace is that the Democrats did not obtain the 60

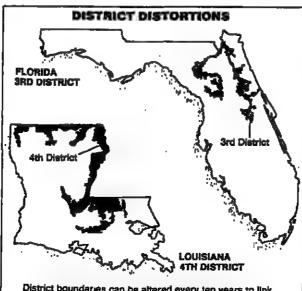
the minority party's filibusters. The new House will have about 47 women members, easily surpassing the present 28. The redrawing of congressional districts to ensure greater minority representation (see graphic) meant 38 blacks and 17 Hispanics were elected. gains of 13 and six respective-ly. Asian Americans won at

members they need to cut off

House and Senate seats they contested, Jay Kim of California became the first Koreanborn American to be elected to the House, and Nydia Velas-quez of New York its first

Puerto Rican. The new members will include Florida's Alcee Hastings, a black who Congress stripped of his judgeship in 1989, and Bobby Rush of Chicago, a former Black Panther. Virginia, Florida, Alabama and the two Carolinas elected their first blacks since

the 1800s. "This is clear evidence of the enhanced power and political cans," said Edolphus Towns. chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus. Raul Yzaguirre, president of a leading Hispanic activist group, hailed the "end of the beginning of political anonymity for



District boundaries can be altered every ten years to link up minority neighbourhoods. This improves the electoral chances of minority candidates as required by the 1982 ammendments to the Voting Rights Act.

## Dons pop breakfast corks for Clinton

By Nicholas Watt

THE Stars and Stripes flew over Oxford yesterday as Bill Clinton's old college celebrated his victory. Fellows of University College, who nor-mally browse through the morning papers at a leisurely pace, enjoyed a distinctly American champagne break-fast yesterday. Professor John Albery, the master, could hardly contain his excitement.

Wearing a Clinton '92 badge that was brought over from America for him, he said that he was euphoric at the election result.

Looking remarkably chirpy after staying up most of the night to hear the results, the professor said: "We are tremendously pleased that an old university man has be-

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come president of the United States. We hope that when Mr Clinton visits Britain be will come back to the college." Oxford had also played a role in the campaign when President Bush tried to smear Mr Clinton over his days as a Rhodes scholar at Oxford, Professor Albery said.

"It was an appalling tactic to try to make Oxford a dirty name. That is partly why Bush lost. I am delighted that Americans have recognised that Oxford is a good word."
Professor Albery also

eethed after officials from the Republican party tried to trawl through the college to smear Mr Clinton. They were appalling," he said.
"A group of officials arrived

and tried to invade my office. It was very disagreeable," he said.

The college fellows may have been celebrating but one American student following in the Democratic winner's footsteps was unmoved by the results. Doug McKenly, 20, who comes the results. Doug from Texas, said: "I didn't go to the party. I thought it was better to sleep than to pay attention to the election.

Professor Sir Richard Southwood, Oxford's vicechancellor, thought that the victory of Mr Clinton had filled a gap in the university's history. "We have had 24 British prime ministers and others in India, Pakistan and Australia, so you could say that Mr Clinton's victory completes the rest of the British Empire." he said

Having a former student as the most powerful man in the world is a source of pride to us," Sir Richard added.

There is always a temptation to say that Oxford is yesterday's university. But we can now point to one of the voungest leaders in the world. Whatever we do, we still do it

## **Talent** scouts scour the land

FROM ANTHONY HOWAD IN WASHINGTON

WHENEVER a sitting rsident is defeated. Washinon moves into a curious perit of interregnum. Members ohe outgoing administration ay at their posts for 11 weeksut a government-in-waiting on comes into being.

If President-elect Clion

follows precedent, his firstep will be to announce the me of the head of his transon team who becomes, in ect. the ambassador from thincoming administration whe old. He and his staffere supplied with governmeroffices and serve as the advice guard of the new adinistration. Quite separate: a team sometimes know as "the talent spotters". It is eir

WASHINGTON

task to sift through appations from Democrats ho aspire to office in the sw administration and to gout and seek those (somenes regardless of party regra-tion) who possess outstanng qualifications for any othe 3.000 patronage jobs on ier. In 1960 Sargent Sher,

President Kennedy's breerin-law, played a key pa in this team. He suggested obert McNamara, the present of the Ford Motor Commy and a registered Republin, as a possible recruit for top iob in the new administron Although already screens by Mr Shriver, Mr McNaara had never met the new psident until he was summed to Washington and offerehe posts of either secretary che treasury or secretary of dence

(he chose the latter). The news of cabinetippointments tends to comput in dribs and drabs, althugh in 1968 Richard Nixonnnounced his whole cahet collectively at a television ectacular in a Washington tel. But individuals under coideration by Mr Clintonure more likely to find themses invited to Arkansas wire, subject to the impression ey make, their appointments/ill probably be announced, a.

Protocol will require, hoever, that the president-electrys at least one courtesy cabn President Bush in Washgton. This visit will providen opportunity for Hillary inton to be shown overhe private quarters of the Vite

House. Arrangements will airdy have been made for Mr inton to receive more thorogh national security and inligence briefings. The ideaehind this is to make it posile for the outgoing commarerin-chief and his success to hold a coherent discuspri before the formal transfiof

## the Hispanic community". Colorado voters reject civil rights for gays

By KATE MUIR

IN THE special referendums that accompanied the American election, the state of Colorado voted to bar explicit civil rights for homo-sexuals and California narrowly rejected hospital euthanasia for terminally ill patients. Washington DC rejected the death penalty.

There were demonstrations in Denver when the Colorado anti-homosexual decision was announced and activists stormed Democratic party headquarters to protest that the state governor had not done enough to defeat the amendment. Over 53 per cent voted for local laws protecting homosex-uals from housing and job discrimination to be repealed. Fears of a similar BALLOTISSUES

backlash in Oregon, where a ballot measure would have declared homosexuality "abnormal, wrong, unnatural and perverse", were unfounded: 57 per cent voted against the change. In California, 54 per cent

of the electorate voted against the so-called Death with Dignity Act that would have allowed doctors to give lethal injections to patients who had less than six months to live and had asked to die. There was no requirement that the writ-ten, followed by oral, re-quests from the patients should be witnessed, and there were protests from the churches and from doctors who feared that they would be sued by relatives. Antiabortionists, too, lost in the

ballot measures. Arizona voters defeated an abortion ban by a margin of two to one and Maryland liberalised its laws, guaranteeing an abor-tion even if the federal law enshrined in Roe v Wade is overturned.

Arizona also voted two to one to bring back a state holiday honouring Martin Luther King after a two-year ban that resulted in the loss of \$300 million (£193 million) in visiting convention

revenue and deprived it of next year's Superbowl. Throughout the country. was made clear to politicians 14 states voted to

tors and House members. Kentucky, deep in the Bible Belt, voted to legalise church-run bingo and, in California, junk-food junkies won their campaign to have sweets and crisps defined as "food", exempting them from the state sales tax.

Although Washington DC, where the last execution was carried out 35 years ago, rejected the death penalty. New Jersey approved capital punishment for crimes resulting in unintended death, and Arizona switched its execution method from the gas chamber to lethal

Colorado emerged as liberal in only one area: it banned the state's black bear hunt to protect mother bears and cubs.



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FROM JAMLE DETTMER IN HOUSTON

The president however took his defeat well. In a brief but

gracious speech in which he

conceded defeat on Tuesday

night, he made clear that his

administration would ensure

a smooth handover of power.

done, and the country always comes first," he said.

He and his wife, Barbara, stood swically on the stage at the Western Galleria hotel, although some of his staff were weeping behind the scenes. "He's been amazing,"

said Torie Clarke, the Bush campaign press spokeswom-an. She said that he bad

played the "father figure"

throughout polling day to a demoralised staff, had re-

mained good-humoured, and

told them all: "We've done

His closest aides said the

for defeat as the Republican

party's private polls began showing a beavy beating. He knew by mid-afternoon that

the outlook was grim, Fred Malek, the Bush campaign

chairman, said. At a dinner

for family and frieads at his

base here, the Houstonian hotel, Mr Bush acknowledged

defeat. He blamed no one.

"He was strong and graceful," said Robert Mosbacher, the

president's chief fundraiser

and one of his oldest friends.

What he reflects on is how he

did not get the message through to the voters."

With the Democrats now

controlling both the White

House and Congress, Repub-

licans risk becoming irrelevant

in the corridors of power

unless they can quickly con-

struct a strategy for opposition.

We've got to pull ourselves together, settle some differ-

ences and develop some pro-grammes," Neil Newhouse, a Republican pollster, said. "The party needs a major restructuring and re-strength-

ening," Frank Fahrenkopf, a former Republican National

Committee chairman, seid.

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By Jamie Dettmer

ROSS Perot is planning to

remain an influential force in

American politics by convert-ing his United We Stand

election volunteer organis-ation into a third party and is

already considering running in the 1996 presidential race.

The Dallas billionaire, who

surprised polsters and pundits

by his strong showing in Tuesday's election, has been

holding discussions with his

key aides on how he can set up

a fully fledged party and capitalise on his achievement

of securing more votes than

any independent presidential

"I think he understands that

he has a role in the future of

America," said John Jay

Hooker, a former Tennessee

newspaper publisher who was instrumental in persuading

Mr Perot to mount a challetige for the White House this

year. The initial effort would

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AS GEORGE Bush left Hous-

ton vesterday and flew to

Was ington for a private re-ception to thank White House

staff or their help during his

presidency, senior Republi-

cans aid they were braced for

an algry bout of accusations

over the election defeat and

expected an early clash be-

tweet Republican moderates

and conservatives for control

M Bush came in for criticism for the campaign even befor he departed from Tex-

as, with one influential conservativ labelling him a "pol-itical pariah" for leading the Grand Old Party to only its second presidential electoral

defeat in 24 years. Conserva-

tive roups, including follow-

ers of Pat Buchanan, the right-

wing journalist who chal-lengt Mr Bush for the Re-

publican nomination earlier

in the year, have begun mak-

ing flans to capture the chair-

marihip of the Republican

National Committee, which

There is also likely to be a

strugle between Republican

senaors and representatives

for by positions in Congress

M Bush cut a lonely figure

yesteday with few Republi-cans outside of his personal

and campaign staff, rushing

to prise a man whose political

carer has spanned 30 years. "Bun will join Torn Dewey.

and Herbert Hoover as polit-

ical ariahs," Burton Pines, a conservative strategist, said.

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tems, said: "It's a losing game, trying to figure out what Ross

going to do."

Ed Rollins, the veteran pol-

itical strategist who quit the

Perot campaign, predicts that Mr Perot will ultimately lose

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Moment of truth: President Bush, surrounded by his family, conceding defeat yesterday morning at his campaign headquarters in Houston

Buoyant billionaire may run again in 1996

wide, you have an enormous

voice in this country." To

rapturous applause, he later

held up a bumper sticker with the words "Perot for 1996".

Mr Perot's heavy support in the election was in the west of

the country. His 19 per cent

share of the national vote was

the highest for an indepen-

dent candidate since Theo-dore Rooseveh's 24 per cent in

1912. "Perot upset all conventional wisdom," said Mark

Shields, a respected commen-

tator for American public tele-

vision. "He ran better in the

election than he did in the

Mr Perot drew big support from Democrats but seemed

to do disproportionately bener with Republicans. He did

particularly well with Conservative white males, a core Republican constituency. In exit polls Perot voters cited the

billionaire's performance in

Carter: would not accept cabinet post

Carter says

he is ready

to advise

By Our Foreign Staff

FORMER president Jimmy Carter said in Atlanta, Geor-

gia, yesterday that he would not accept a cabinet post in President-elect Clinton's ad-

ministration, but would be

willing to take on an ad hoc

advisory position, perhaps on foreign policy matters.

Mr Carter, the Democratic

president from 1977 to 1981.

said: "As far as a permanent position, I wouldn't be inter-

ested in that. We're very happy with the things we're involved in here. But if I were asked to

take an ad hoc position for a

few weeks, I would be willing

to do that as I would have been

with President Reagan or

He said that he regarded

Mr Clinton's victory more as a rejection of President Bush

than an endorsement of the

Arkansas governor, who won with a minority of the popular

In Washington, Richard

Cheney, the outgoing defence secretary, who has often been

mentioned as a possible Re-

publican presidential contender, appeared to leave open the

possibility of his seeking high-

er office when he spoke to 45

senior Pentagon appointees in a private staff meeting

Saying that he held no grudge against the victorious

Democrats, he added: "I look

forward to thanking each of you personally, and there may come a day when we will have

an opportunity to renew these relationships."

yesterday.

President Bush."

opinion polls."

ROSS PEROT

be to address issues such as

reforming government and

the economy," said Orson

Swindle, the executive director

of United We Stand, Later, the

party would aim to field

congressional candidates.
On Tuesday night a buoyant Mr Perot likened his

candidacy to the grain of sand

that irritates an oyster into generating a pearl. "It has been an honour to be your

grain of sand in this process,"

he said. "We will continue to

work together to make pearls

He told a rally at his Dallas

headquarters that the next

step after the election is to

"take all of our energy and

harness it". He continued:

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# America decides for the devil it did not know

By Bob Worcester

Laura Sylvester

THERE were many winners in the elections in America on Tuesday. Bill Clinton, the president-elect, Al Gore, his running-mate, the Democratic party, and the pollsters, all succeeded.

The interest in the election and the turnout on the day also made the triumph of democracy apparent. Mr Clinton and Mr Gore achieved a convincing win, with a lead of five points in the popular vote and a 202vote majority in the electoral college. The results reflected a greater degree of interest than in the presidential election between George Bush and Michael Dukakis four years, and the overall turnout of the electorate was 11 per cent higher than in 1988.

More than 100 million Americans went to the polls this time, compared to 91 million four years ago. In 1988, 64 per cent of Americans said that they were interested in the presidential race, while this year 79 per cent expressed interest. This higher interest led to a higher turnout than the 50.2 per cent of Americans who voted last time, reversing the 30year decline in presidential election participation. This helped the Arkansas gover-House. Poils thoughout the presidential campaign sug-gested a significant lead for the Democratic challenger. but what may have been a rogue poll last Thursday put new life into the election campaigners and into jaded journalists who were nearly as exhausted by the drawnout race as the candidates and the electorate.

Traditionally, low turnouts in US elections help the Republicans on the one hand and the incumbent on the other. This time there was a higher registration (up 2-3 per cent from the 126 million in 1988) and higher interest (92 million watched the third debate between the three candidates compared with 71 million who viewed the final 1988 debate).

As the graph shows the

As the graph shows, the margin in the polls grew smaller during the final few days. However, Mr Clinton never dipped below 40 per cent and President Bush never reached it, following Ross Perot's re-entry in the race on October 1. The third debate seemed to focus the American electorate's mind and the president's campaign seemed to catch fire, but too late. The exit poll of more than 14,000 voters carried out by Voter Research and Surveys gave Mr Clinton a four-point edge with men, while his lead among women rose to 13 per cent. 44. he achieved a 12-point

Bill Clinton was not the only winner on Tuesday. The polling organisations also triumphed as the results came in

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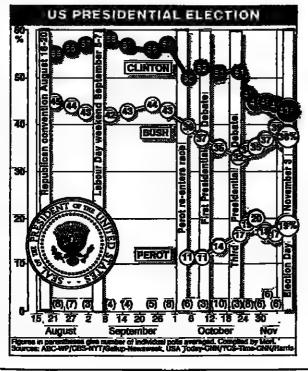
lead, with a six-point advantage among those aged 45 and over.

One big question facing pollsters and pundits, as well as the campaign teams in this election, was who would Mr Perot's support hurt most? In the early days of the campaign, I reported that there might be a neutral effect, as the Texan billionaire seemed to drag support from Mr Bush in Republican strongholds such as Mississippi and Virginia, while he so sapped Mr Clinton's following in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. In the event however, Mr Perot took one in five Bush voters and only 11 per cent of the votes last time for the Democratic candidate.

Mr Perot won support mostly among whites (21 per cent), rather than blacks (7 per cent) or Hispanics and Asians (15 per cent). He drew backing from the western states (22 per cent) and the Midwest (20 per cent), while in the South and the east his support fell to 17 per cent and 18 per cent respectively. More men (21 per cent) gave the Texan support, as did younger voters (23 per cent of 18-29 year olds) rather than older voters (12 per cent of

those 60 and over).

Mr Bush paid the price of concentrating on foreign policy rather than jobs and the economy; only 8 per cent gave foreign affairs as a key influence on their vote, while 43 per cent cited jobs and the economy. One casualty of the election outcome that would disappoint Americans in Britain may be Raymond Seitz, their very popular am-



bassador. Americans of all political stripes, led by Democrats abroad, are petitioning the new administration to keep Mr Seitz in place.

It is not, however, the popular vote that elects or defeats presidents and their challengers in American bal-lots: it is the state-by-state results. In the electoral college each state cast its votes in a block and there are 538 electoral college votes, so it took 270 to win. California, which has 54 votes alone, did not see Mr Bush during the final six weeks of the campaign. California was expected to give its 20 per cent of the total number of electoral college votes to the Democratic challenger, and it did. The second largest number of college votes, in New York, also went to Mr Clinton. putting his lead in double figures. These two states produced a third of the number of electoral votes Mr Clinton

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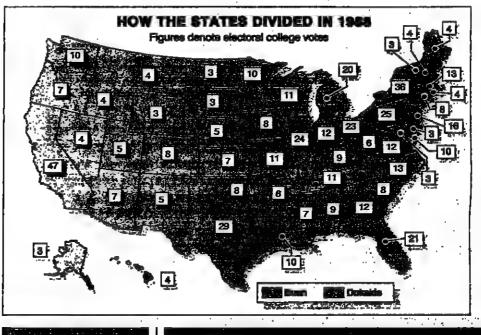
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Illinois has a block of 22 college votes, withnits population concentration in Chicago, and Mr Clinton led by 15 per cent there, giving him 40 per cent of the 270 total he needed to clinch the White House. In The Times on Tuesday there was a map of America based on the stateby-state polls: it indicated which states were likely to be taken by Mr Clinton, those which were leaning towards Clinton, and the states which Mr Bush was likely to win and those leaning towards him. In every state but one Nevada, the indications proved accurate, and in Nevada, the final poil I saw, showed a five-point lead for the Arkansas governor. The map showed seven states as "too close to call"; four of them, Arizona, Kansas, South Dakota and West Virginia, went to the president, while Louisiana, Ohio and Delaware, went to his Demo-

ratic opponent.

Richard Wirthlin, America's leading private pollster, who guided the Reagan years' polling operations, told me last Tuesday that it looked as though Mr Clinton would win at least 350 electoral votes. In the end he took 370. Dr Wirthlin eplained that 40 per cent of Americans said they were "unfavourable" to Mr Clinton, but 57 per cent said they were "unfavourable" to Mr Bush. In the end, it came down to better the devil you didn't know, on the basis that he could not do worse.

Robert M. Worcester is chairman of MORI and Visiting Professor of Government at the London School of Economics and Political Science. His analyses are compiled with the assistance of AEP's American Enterprise Magazine.



Bill Climton recoloures the political map of Anerica on Tuesday. In 1988 Michael Dulakis, the Democratic challenge, won ten states and the District of Columbia. Mr Clinton won 32 and the District of Columbia.

George Bush actualy enjoyed a slight advantage this year from a reappartioning of electoral colege votes to take account of population movement over the past decade. The Democratic "Rustbeit" states of the north and Midwest had generally lost a number of electoral college votes since the 1988 presidential electors a people moved to the taditionally Republican southwest "Sunbeit" tates, which gained votes.

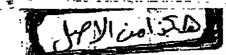
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This is a list of the newly elected. House of Representatives for the 103rd US Congress. In the results, issued by the Associated Press, the first figure indicates the congressional district number. At shows a representative elected "at large", where the state is not split into districts. The district is followed by the winning party and the candidate. At the end, in brackets, is the date the condidate first elected or in the case of newcomers, the narry

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The fireworks caused by the Maastricht

treaty, the Exchange Rate Mechanism

and the closing of the coal-mines - all

decided without consulting the British

people - are just the latest signs of

what Anthony Sampson sees as

"Democracy in Crisis".

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Seat of government: a secret service agent rescuing Al Gore, the vice-president-elect, after he fell among supporters

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## Advice on lice

SOLDIERS in Bosnia, school children back for the winter term and unwise lovers at Christmas parties have something in common: all are liable to become infested with lice, albeit different varieties of the parasite.

Soldiers' lice lurk in the seams of their uniforms, the children's in the hair of the head and the lovers' in the pubic region.

For a generation, Lindane has been the mainstay in the treatment of lice. Marketed as Ouellada cream it is easy to apply and neither too smelly nor too messy. It is also available as a shampoo. But Lindane has one great disadvantage: as a potentially toxic pesticide, it is to the environmental movement what a double whisky is to the temperance worker.

The Advisory Committee on Pesticides recently produced a report clearing Lindane medicinal products of being linked with damage to the bone marrow, but recommended that work on the effects of other products con-



Hair: target for lice attack

taining Lindane should continue. The only universally agreed side-effect of Lindane is that of skin irritation, and it should certainly be kept well away from the eyes. Care should always be taken to follow the instructions. It is easily absorbed through

the skin. When there is a secondary skin infection which would facilitate absorption the infection should be treated before it is applied. Other preparations equally

efficacious such as malathion. permethrin or phenothrine can be used instead, in order to prevent the lice becoming resistant to one particular

# Take heart from speed

SIR Kenneth MacMillan's death at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden from a heart attack deprived ballet of a genius who, by choreographer stan-dards, died at the early age of 62. Perhaps, given his medical history—Sir Kenneth had had two previous heart attacks - his death was inevitable.

Even so, the story of Sir Kenneth's last few hours illustrates features which militate against survival in many cases of coronary thrombosis. All too often the patient, in their desire not to make a fuss, and not to inconvenience others, waits to see "how they feel in the morning", or "after a bit of a rest"; others delay until some close relative can reach them to provide moral support. Statistics very clearly show that the sooner a patient has skilled treatment

the better his chance of survival. After a coronary, what the patient needs is the immediate presence of a doctor, or ambulanceman, with a defibriliator to restore a viable rhythm of the heart, rather than the presence, however comforting, of a relative.

started in suitable cases - particularly The need for early admission has become even greater since the advent of the thrombolytics, the clot busters, survival even if they are given up to 12 which make a marked difference to the chances of survival after a heart attack. hours after the incident. The sooner thrombolytic therapy is Unthinking ageism is rife in coronary

those in which there is little danger of stroke or bleeding - the better, although there is some improvement in

Sir Kenneth: third heart attack

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Dr Thomas

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other factors being equal. Sir Kenneth would have been given thrombolytics, but 40 per cent of coronary care units in Britain, according to a review by Dr David Brodie in the medical magazine Monitor, exclude patients on the grounds of age. Twenty per cent go even further, excluding "elderly" patients from their units for any form of

Britain is not alone in allowing nature to take its course in older people: one American study showed that a 75-year-old is only half as likely to receive thrombolytics as a 40 year-old. There is no scientific reason for depriving the oldies from a possibly life saving dose of streptokinace and aspirin (the standard thrombolytic combination), and indeed such treatment is recommended in the such treatment is recommended in the British national formulary.

Statistically, this therapy is more useful in older than in younger patients: one research project showed that only ten lives were saved for every 1,000 "younger" patients (those under 60), whereas 47 were saved per 1,000 when the same treatment was used in the over-70s. There is, too, no evidence that those who recovered became any greater a burden on the state than their



Enough: this much cream will cover two hands' breadths

#### How little a dab will do?

PATIENTS rarely know how much cream to use when prescribed a tube of some nighly effective, and very expensive, topical steroid.

Some work on the principle that if a little is good, more must be better, and go back to their doctors within a day or two, for a repeat prescription.

Others use it so sparingly that months later the tube, now as battered and paint-free as some child's toy, is still in their bathroom cupboard.

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Pulse magazine reports that dermatologists have devel-oped a formula for the correct amount to be used. To cover an area of skin the size of the patient's two hand-breadths, a portion of cream which would stretch from the patient's last index finger joint to the end of the finger should be used.

Patients are increasingly finding themselves on mixed wards. Virginia Ironside asks whether the trend should be encouraged

## something of a shock to find that her neighbour was not another elderly woman but a young policeman lounging about in a jockstrap, surround-ed by his cronies who had

come to visit. My friend was discomfited. She had not expected to spend her time in a mixed ward. But. increasingly, hospitals are mixing the sexes on their wards. Some lessen the impact by creating single-sex "bays" within a ward.

The health department has no official policy on the matter. leaving the decision to individual hospitals. The consensus among hospital managers is that mixing wards cuts waiting lists and is more efficient than running two separate wards where beds might be lying empty in one while the other is oversubscribed. The managers also believe that most people do not mind. But some people do mind. My friend minded.

"On one night I was the only woman among six men", she says, "my neighbour never wore a dressing gown and the

# Who is sleeping in the next bed?

mixed — not very nice." Men complain too. A professional writer says: "Women are so much tougher about physical illness as they have to deal with birth and death while men go out and play with the shadow world of the City, metaphors of life but not life itself. Men like to collapse completely when confronted by difficult physical things — when the enemy is internal and not external and the presence of more stoic women makes it difficult."

Complaints have also been received by the Patients' Asso-ciation. "Our letters come from the elderly, and teen-agers," says Leslie Woolhouse. the association's advice and information officer. "When a 15-year-old feels ill it is not great for her to have an 18year-old lad staring at her when she hasn't washed her hair for two weeks. Some have said that women get better quicker in mixed wards because they have to make more of an effort, put make-up on and so on, but that's rubbish."

he adds: "We would like patients to have the choice of a single sex ward, even if they might have to wait longer for treatment. After all, the Patient's Charter does say that hospitals should respect patients' privacy, dignity and

religious and cultural beliefs'." No research has been done into exactly how many hospitals are operating the mixed ward scheme. Jean Thomas, the assistant director on nursing policy at the Royal College of Nursing, says: "Gynaeco-logical and maternity wards are single sex, so usually are genito-urinary wards. Intensive care, high dependency

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and children's wards are always mixed. As far as other wards go I estimate that the chances of being admitted to a

mixed one are very high." In those hospitals with a mixed ward policy, the nursing directors defend their decisions. Di Williams, the nursing director of the Royal Free NHS Trust, in Hampstead, north London, points out that it has had mixed wards since it was opened. with four-bedded single-sex bays. "It is the most sensible way of ensuring that we can treat as many patients as

possible," she says. Liz Winder, the director of policy on nursing at St Thomas's, in south London, says: We try not to have patients in mixed wards if they don't want to. But all our wards have two sets of lavatories and bathrooms, and except for one the

wards are all partitioned off, four or so women, four men and so on. What you must remember is that a lot of people think mixed wards are smashing, and spend their time chatting and making ten for each other."

Psychiatric mixed wards present different problems. Mind, the health care charity, is calling for women-only space within such wards. In mixed wards, Mind says, many women feel threatened, particularly if they have been sexually abused as children.

Mind cites the case of a woman who was upset about her mother being on a mixed geriatric ward. The mother suffers from long-term depression and is going senile.

But she is well aware of her surroundings," the daughter says. "One afternoon a male patient followed us into my mother's dormitory and forced his way past the curtains round her bed — her only form of privacy. When he began to ithed his trousers I had to fend him off. I am now desperately worried about my mother's safety as well as her well-

Anna Neeter, who has spent time in a psychiatric hospital as a patient, also had a disturbing experience. "It was the first time I went into a psychiatric hospital as an inpatient. A man walked into the ward wearing pyjamas and sat down by my bed. After talking on top of me. You go into hospital as a refuge and you don't expect this. I was terribly

rofessor Brice Pitt, of the Royal College of Pyschiatry, sees the problem in a historical context. "When I came into psychiatry in 1956 there weren't any mixed wards. They were locked and rigidly divided with a totally artificial division of sexes - the epitomy of institutionalisation. The idea of sexes mixing was anathema — everyone was convinced there would be whole-

sale rape and formication. It played up the idea that all psychiatric patients were totally out of control, which of course they are not. "Those of us who were

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growing into our prime at that time were thrilled by the advent of mixed sex proved things were not like that. Men became far less disturbed and looked after themselves better, women reacted to the presence of men and remembered they were women. It was good for patients and staff. So it sur-

prised me when this rearguard having single rooms as movement began. The prob-they do, for instance, in of the sexes, but the staffing and design and the lack of general privacy. The best kind of accommodation is when people can sleep privately.

This view is endorsed by Miss Thomas. "As far as the college stands we do not wards," she says. "We are not against having bays with their own toilets, but we know that adhered to for reasons of convenience, cost effectiveness and because people are not thoughtful. Having said that, some geriatricians claim that some women patients do get better when men are around - it has been shown that elderly women patients are not

"But the real question is should people be sharing wards anyway, even with their own sex? Who in this day and age would book a holiday and share a bedroom with 28



Great divide: single-sex wards did nothing to stop the high jinks in Carry On Again Doctor

strangers? There is more to privacy than drawing screens, which don't cut off your smells or your conversations. In other words, should patients have to suffer a change in their lifestyle because they are in hospital? The problem is now that

when you go into hospital, whether you go into a mixed ward or not, your standard of living drops.

wards dreamt up by Aneurin Bevan who based it on a military model. The European Community standards are completely difand in future the whole trend will be towards patients

in September a pamphlet was launched by the Confeder-ation of British Industry, called the Social Market Foundation, pointing out the differences between hospital accommodation in various European countries. If Britain countries it will have to improve standards, which may mean an end to the open and

"We are now in a market-driven health care economy so the standards of service have to be compatible with those of other countries in the EC." Miss Thomas says. "At the moment other European countries only purchase health care from private hospitals in England. In future when we are building hospitals for in-stance, we will have to take this accommodation factor into consideration if we are going to compete in an open

#### **TOMORROW**

Seeking asylum: with the immigration and asylums bill back in Parliament, a Times Guide to where, how and why people are taking refuge



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Divorcing couples are being urged to call on mediation as well as lawyers. What can a mediator do - and do all broken marriages need one? Liz Gill reports

# Peacemakers in the divorce war

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the other in counselling, to help them unravel their finances and guide their two young children through the transact ....

So far Carol, 42, a former 1/4 plevision producer, and Andrew, 48, an advertising copywriter, have had half-a-dozen sessions, and feel they need a couple more. "It was: extremely helpful in that no matters how amicable you are there assessment always areas difficult to discuss on a

one-to-one basis," Carol says.
"We spent the first two meetings,
working out what, how and whele
to tell the children and what signs
of emotional distress to watch for In fact, there haven't really been any. I think it belped them come to

We were never hostile, we had inst drifted apart and Andrew hald "people of met someone else. We aren't the sort to squabble over who had the knives and forks, but our finances were terribly complicated, with, pensions and property and schooliee plans. This has reward have large extent, money we'd have spent on solicitors. Mediators he'sk. ice plans. This has reduced, it's nings down so you

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They are trained to make you comfortable about things that have been swept under the cappets I heye make you face up to issues which otherwise might that years to overcome. Somehow, for the complete choosing mediation as a way to restwing their disputes is still small salling.

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on the director of the Esmily Mediators Association. "it caters very well for people who want to remain our instally terms if possible and preserve a good rela-tionship, especially if children are But an expert orasider can also help others who are finding it too difficult to talk because discussions become too heated, or those who would like to try to work it all out but don't know how to start gathering the relevant information. There are also people who come out of sheer desperation. Bonal or adversional and think they we nothing those. You reach your lower of

f there is such a thing as a mental third civilised divorce. Cami Provell party to help couples at any stage of believes she has just experit separation or divorce look at what enced it. She and her this mach to be settled. Mrs Parkinson hand Andrew began dismanifing says. "It helps them work towards their 12-year-old marriage has an agreement without imposing a friends and now, a couple the decision on them or advising them months after their decree absolutes; individually. We know there may are she says, "better friends thing the anger and hostility, but we have ever. It's all been terribly inconsentrate on immediate, pressing questions, like where the childness is convinced the key to such the says, are several. A lot of it is two members of the Family Media-information. People often don't tors Association, one trained is law, know about alternatives to divorce,

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ples can't self them bomes, can't buy one another out, can't divide the spoils, can't get another mongage if their job is threatened. They feel topped and even more actimonious. There are a lot of sleeping files around in solicitors' offices because people can't take matters any surface at the moment. "Mediation is a forum for con-

cannot deal with violence or child abuse or where relations have become distorted by grotesque behaviour. Then you need someone to make decisions for you."

Theirna Fisher, the director of the National Association of Family Mediation and Conciliation Services, also believes the system is inappropriate where there is a substantial imbalance of power in a relationship. "In most relationships there are differences of power in different areas," she says. "The mediator's role is to balance those out so you get a fair discussion. But you cannot do that if one partner totally intimidates the other.

The association dealt with 12,300 enquiries last year, and completed mediation with 4,400 counters. The agreement rate runs at 68 per cent. "One of the most common issues is whether the marriage is really over." Mrs Fisher says. "It's very rare that both partners agree it is at the same time. Sometimes one partner has to be helped to accept the other really feels it is."

Compulsory mediation is one proposal under consideration by officials preparing a consultation paper on divorce law reform. Although mediators want their services to be legally aided and more widely available, most think coercion would tend to be counterproductive.

Carol Powell, however, believer everyone should be made to attend at least one session. "Even if you're desperately hostile it must be more beneficial than fighting a war in count," she says.



Breakdown: but can mediation help to soothe the pain of divorce, particularly when the family (posed here by models) includes childrent

M ediators are trained in a structured approach bear evolve their own style within the guidelines. Jacqueline Klarfeld and her co-mediator Mary Kane, a solicitor, prefer the relatively informal approach basing sessions in the sitting rooms of one or other of their London homes. Mrs Klarfeld who trained

with Relate and has worked in counselling for 13 years, says: We offer tea or coffee, we sit in comfortable chairs, we use first names terms if people agree. Beore they even come to see us I adorm todal in and return to us about children, income, jobs, home and so on.

At the first meeting we try to work out the most pressing issues, usually starting with the children. If they don't raise it I do. But money and children are often inextricably limked. At the end of the first session they are asked to fill in very detailed financial forms which are discussed by Mary and me in advance of the second session. At that we might use flip charts to explain finances and other complex

areas. We ask then what they hope

to end up with and we make draft proposals on the alternatives. You have to be aware of power imbalances. If a husband says 'she's never contributed a farthing' you say 'hang on, she's brought up four kids, what do you think a full time nanny would have cost?". Or the woman says the children are distraught when they come back from seeing their father', when what she really dislikes is that they've been with his girlfriend.

We see ourselves as facilitators, enabling people to sort things out but if there really is an impasse you have to say so. It doesn't work for some people who are antagonistic. Some just need to fight it out in court. I stopped one session because the wife said. she didn't believe a word the

husband said and neither did we. . Both partners must be party to the mediation process, though some services are prepared to see husband and wife separately at some point. Children, usually teenagers, are invited where both mediators and parents agree it would be useful. Clients are always seen on the mediators' territory which might be either home or

Unless the financial situation

is extremely complex or the alternative courses of action numerous, most clients could expect to need only three sessions: one to set the scene and identify the main areas of concern; two to thrash out the finances after completion of a detailed disclosure form and three to reach agreement on the various possibilities.

Most families are primarily concerned with arrangements for any children but property settlements, residence, future financial arrangements, even the allocation of small personal possessions, are common preoccupations.

Lisa Parkinson of the Family Mediators Association says that sometimes mediation can dear up simple misunderstandings. We had a hurband who was extremely angry because his wife was preventing him from secing the children. She was furious because she thought he had closed the loint account. In fact it was all a mistake, and when this was made clear their attitudes changed amazingly.

There has to be a certain amount of commitment to the process and there also has to be acceptance, however unhappily, that the marriage is over," Mrs

t the moment in Britain A mediation is offered either by the courts themselves, under the control of the court welfare office, an arm of the probation service, or by independent services.

The National Association of

Family Mediation and Conciliation Services (NAFMCS) is an umbrella group for 56 services in different areas. They specialise in mediation as it relates to children. although they currently have five pilot schemes offering comprehensive mediation on other related subjects, such as finance. Fees vary from area to area but are commonly about E23 per person per session although some, funded by

offer a tree service. The Family Medianors Association (FMA) represents 300 individual mediators working in pairs with clients, who may or may not have children, to cover all aspects of the dissolution of a marriage. Fees average £90 per person per session of an hour and half in length.

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Both associations run training courses for mediators covering the theory and practice of mediation, code of practice, law

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and other relevant areas of knowledge followed by supervised practice. Half the FMA's mediators have a legal background with experience in family and matrimonial law and half have a counselling background: social work, clinical psychology, psychotherapy and marriage guidance.

The NAFMCS select people with an appropriate degree, a background in social work or counselling or five years experience in "managing human relations" in the workplace. A mediator, says Lisa Parkinson of FMA, needs "sensitivity, a clearmind and considerable amount of knowledge."
Reconciliation happens

rarely - in about 3 per cent of cases. And, although mediators are obviously happy when reconciliation does occur, it is not their aim. Nor is it realistic to expect mediation to remove a the pain of marital breakdown. "It's a painful business," says Thelma Fisher, the director of the NAFMCS. "Nearly everyone feels torn apart. That's human nature. But you can help them make sensible decisions, and help stop the conflict spilling over to

A captive readership awaits Acid it is first magazine for people in jail

# Prisoners get the hard sell

has an untapped, affluent, niche market. Publisher Joe Strahl not only has an expect-ed 200,000 readers in his chosen niche. He has, "for the lack of a better word, a captive

His magazine's "cover girl" is Charles Manson. The headline is: "Manson: Get off his back!". The audience is the million-strong prison population of America. The first edition of Prison Life will reach newstands in America. and Britain in mid-November and US penitentiary cells on December 1.

The magazine describes itself as "the first publication geared towards the unique needs and interests of prisoners". Mr Strahl has already sold the advertising for the first edition. "Nobody realised that the average prisoner has \$1,200 to \$1,500 to spend a year, either in the commissary

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Life's "cellmate" calendar, free

to new subscribers, is only on

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monthly includes mass-murderer Manson discussing the

problems of the parole system and his new ecology wants to sell one of his kidneys group; mothers behind bars; so he can use the money to pay an interview with an Olympic heavyweight boxer turned warder; as well as the regulars In-Cell Cooking, Survival Tips, Ask the Law Professor, Dear Chris, Pen Pals, Victim's

Voice and The Chaplain. Foreign correspondents will be reporting in the next editions on the prison systems in Japan and Britain. Future editions will also discuss male rane in prison, conjugal visitone page "so it's no great loss". There are two versions — a woman in a bikini, and a man in swimming shorts. Nevertheless, Mr Strahl insists that the magazine is extremely serious about prisoners' rights.

Prison Life has also tapped into an expanding market. American jails are at 165 per cent capacity, and 60,000 new beds will be added in the next three years. Before Prison Life's

non-immate reporters were recruited, Mr Strabl tackled the first interviews with the Rev Jesse Jackson and After long negotia-tions, be flew from his office in Columbia.

Missouri to see Manson at his desert prison. in Corcoran, California. The plane was late, and he missed the appointment by a few minutes. The guard in charge suggested Mr Strahl come back next day - "to make an appointment for another interview, which might, or might not go ahead." In the

end, they did the inter-

view through a relative. There has been better lack with Black Panther leader Bobby Seale and Spike Lee, who is keen on Prison Life's campaign to get his new Malcolm X film shown in

At \$3.95, Prison Life is a hot read even for those not in cells, the publisher says, cheerfully reciting his maga-zine's slogari. "Real People, Real Life...it's Prison Life!".

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Winning way: a Times reader will join the new president, his wife Hillary and daughter Chelsea on their celebration night

## Have a ball with the president

It's all over bar the Swearing in. Governor Bill Clinton is the winner of the presidental election and on January 20 1993 he will be inaugurated as the 42nd President of the United States. That evening, he and the First Lady will have a ball, as the honoured guests at one of the many inaugural Balls being held throughout America.

-You, too, can be a winner and have a ball with the president - in Washington. The Times, in association with Northwest Airlines, is offering readers an exclusive opportunity to be at one of the greatest events in the US social calendar. The value of this prize is about £9,000. As the winner, we will fly you and your

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League of Nations? 3 Two presidents died on the day of the 50th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. What are their names?

4 Which president gave his name to a bear? 5 Which president said: "One man with courage makes a majority"?

6 Which president commanded British armed forces after the death of General Braddock? Now, if you know the correct answers to these questions, simply phone them in on the number below. Normal Times competition rules apply.

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# Philip Howard

Neckties are the tribal totems of our class-ridden and snobbish country

liquishness and snobbery are alive and well in modern England. The snipping off of the old school tie has been much exaggerated; we have simply changed the rules. Old Etonians of the new generation have been brainwashed against flaunting their boring ties in the City, even on Fridays, which used to be the day for old school and regimental ties and tweeds. to pretend you were off to biff the ptarmigan, even though you were actually going home to shop for cat food and DIY in Surbiton. The enduring power of the old ties has been exhibited once again by a fascinating correspondence in The Times, started off by a former Royal Marine who reproached a Japanese tourist for wearing the Royal Marine tie, to which, he presumed arrogantly, he was not entitled.

That unnecessary and uncomfortable strip of ribbon that Englishmen wear round their necks, for the obsolete purpose (from the days before blessed buttons) of keeping one's shirt on, are still potent emblems to exclude lesser breeds without the tie. Members of the Garrick Club fly their hideous broad stripes, off-coloured salmon and avocado, at every opportunity, to signal that they belong to what they take, optimistically, to be an elite band of wits.

Accents are as potent as ties in the armoury of English snobbery. George Bernard Shaw said: "It is impossible for an Englishman to open his mouth without making another Englishman hate or despise him." Nothing causes more indignation, uncertainty, and letters to The Times than pronunciations that are taken to be "wrong". or from a different and therefore interior tribe. Ted Heath could never get his "eow"s (the great diphthongal class indicator) correct. Margaret Thatcher's elocution coach made her too damned surburban English for Scotland, and other parts of the United Kingdom with accents that are not quite Muswell Hill. Snobbery brands the tongue of every British child. The present prime minister sets silly people's teeth on edge by pronouncing wunt when he says want. But if he did not say that, those who wunt to feel superior to the rest of the world would find some other idiosyncrasy in his pronunciation to label him as belonging to a different tribe from theirs. This is a precise example of a shibboleth. The men of Ephraim could not pronounce the fatal word, when they were challenged at the ford of Jordan by their pursuers. Jephthah and the Gileadites. They could only lisp Sibboleth. And they regretted that immediately, because 42,000 of them were slaughtered in the passages of Jordan for their naff pronunciation.

In the strict sense, shibboleths are pronunciations different from those of the tribe, in the way that tolty-toid is a signal that the speaker comes from Brooklyn, or at the least has been reading Damon Runyon, and firty fahsn sounds Cockney. Usually the holty-toity Gileadites look down their noses at the supposedly lower-class Ephraimites. But linguistic snobbery can work the other way round, as when Gileadites who pronounce it "cahn't dahnce" are mocked as toffs and snobs by Ephraimites. This is the oral equivalent of the modern shame of the OE tie.

You meet shibboleth snobbery in virulent form in the lesser English (not Scottish, apart from Muirfield) golf clubs, where self-important NCO-class officials sternly enforce grotesque sumptuary and dress laws. The really grand golf clubs are not so insecure about their status, and let guests behave preny well as they like. They are run by pukka senior officers who know how to behave, and themselves dress with a casualness verging on eccentricity.

All Englishmen gravitate to cliques, preferably of one man. The view that snobbery is dwindling is exaggerated. Barbara Cartland came into remote contact with the royals when her daughter Raine's step-daughter became the Princess of Wales. Miss Cartland was asked on the Today programme whether she thought that class barriers have broken down in Britain. "Of course they have," replied Miss Cartland to the woman interviewer, "or I wouldn't be sitting here talking to someone like you."

## Bernard Levin proposes a roll-call of dishonour for the Foreign Office and its appeasing friends

of Christopher Patten's visit to China has culminated in the farce of the "secret letters". The published documents are, of course, takes, "Scoops" Levin, and he alone, has got hold of the real file.

They are a considerable disappointment, I am afraid. The Chinese side of the correspondence consists almost entirely of assurances that the most senior figures in the Foreign Office will not, after all, be obliged to kiss the bottom of Lu Ping. (Unless they want to, of course — some of them like that sont of thing, you know.) The British letters insist, over and over again, that so far from demanding any extra measure of democracy for Hong Kong, the Foreign Office is working on a plan to remove the few democratic items already in Hong Kong's constitution, and there is even a working-party drawing up a long-term project for removing democracy in Britain as well.

But it is a black comedy, and it is ghastly, too. When the present fuss has died down, we shall be treated by a government spokesman (probably Tristan Garel-Jones) to yet another claim that when the Chinese dictatorship takes over Hong Kong in 1997, it will not be turned into just another corner of the implacably totali-

Selling out Hong Kong

tarian Chinese empire, because our Foreign Office says it

mustn't be.

Of one thing we can be certain; totalitarian rule admits of no exceptions; that, after all, is why it is called totalitarian. The very idea of a free press — free, that is, to criticise the Chinese rulers — would be not so much dangerous as unintelligible. And it is not just the press. Freedom of movement, of a legal system that is not just an arm of the regime, of dissent itself, of the very concept of human rights — none of these exists in China, and in 1997 Hong Kong will be part of China.

I can do nothing to stop this monstrous British crime against this brave, self-reliant, bustling, happy place, but one thing I have promised my friends there it is that when the handover is complete, and communism takes the place of freedom. I shall call the roll—the roll of those who said everything would go well, and lied as they said it. It is the least I can do for them; alas that it is also the most.

Nor can anyone avoid the reality of Hong Kong's fate by

asking where is the evidence of what is feared; si monumentum requiris, circumspice; the evidence — plentiful, terrible and continuing — is close at hand. It is called Tibet. Once again, the people of that wonderful, beautiful tortured land have asked me to give public voice to their suffering. For the torture has gained a new dimension, as you shall hear. First, though, I must turn to a document so vile and so dishonest that it is difficult to believe that it was written by a human being, rather than the

mad scientist of fiction.

It is a paper drawn up in China's "Information Office", and the suffocating ritualised cliches, the barefaced lying, the prose made of cheap cardboard, the monstrous inversion of the truth, the entire absence of anything that be called real—these qualities run through every sentence of the 22 crammed pages, Listen to this:

"Before peaceful liberation. Tibet was..., characterised by the dictatorship of upper-class monks... the Tibetan ruling class... deliberately violated and sahotaged the 17-Article Agreement and intensified their efforts to split the mother-land... the reactionary clique of the

upper social strata in Tibet wook the expresse forbearance of the central government as a sign of weakness... The Dalai clique... stipulates that the Dalai is the head of the state ... and engaged in political activities... Spreading rumours and calumnies and plotting riots... the Dalai Lama fabricated numerous lies to sow dissension... to... instigate and plot a number of serious riots... it was a conspiracy of the imperialists once hatched in order to carve up China... The Nobel Peace Prize Committee in Norway, with clearly political motives, awarded the 1989 Nobel Peace Prize to the Dalai Lama, giving its strong support to... the Tibetan separatists... The Dalai significancousty intensified his efforts to incite and plot riots in Tibet...

simultaneously intensified his efforts to incise and plot riots in Tibet... After the quelling of the armed rebellion... the central people's government, in compliance with the wishes of the Tibetan people, conducted the democratic reform in Tibet... the Tibetan people... have become masters of the country and enjoy full polinical rights... Respect for and protection of freedom of religious belief is a basic policy of the Chinese government... the Tibetan people now enjoy full freedom to participate in normal religious activ-

In the beautiful and moving exhibition "The Sacred Art of Tibet", at the Royal Academy,

there is a short film which shows something of the holiness and beauty of Tibetan life before the Chinese barbarians invaded. There is, naturally, not much footage of what the barbarians did, considering that what they did included genocide and the destruction of an entire culture many centuries old. But one shot could stand as a symbol of the murdered land: a gigantic monastery deliberately mashed into ruins. And the desert the barbarians made is

fully reflected in that sequence

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ow Tibet must borrow King Lear's words. "The worst is not. So long as we can say 'this is the worst." For some time now, the Chinese barbarians have been waging war against unborn children: in their drive to subjugate Tibet they must control child-bearing, and the best way to control the bearing of a child is to abort the birth forcibly and then sterilise the mother. I have pages and pages of eye-witness accounts of this culling: one will

suffice among many.

"... a team terms to the village of Woja Chue. Nyenchu Chue and Hor... women must report. Or face grave consequences and that to resist was to violate the constitution. They say those who did resist were rounded up by the police and taken by force... pregrams women crying as they waited for their turn in the abortion tent. Itstening to the screams of those who went before them and watching the growing pile of babies build up dutside the tent..."

All tyrannies seek to dilute the population of the country they tyrannise: it was done, for instance, by Stalin, who flooded the Baltic States with Russians. Now, the Chinese, under cover of their announcement that Tibet is to be opened up for economic liberation, will draft in more Chinese: it is probable that already Tibetans are outnumbered in their own country. and their second-class status will be even more dear. They are discouraged from studying in their own language: detention without trial is rife; political prisoners not in jail where torture is common for them; the practice of the Tibetan religion is restricted — even to the teaching and studying of Buddhism.

It is clear that China will not rest until the very name of Tiber is forgotten among the nations. We who have to watch, helplessly, must make sure that it will be remembered.

# Why Clinton won while Labour lost

The left wins only when it addresses everyday fears, says Anthony Howard

wice in the past eight weeks I found myself sharply reminded of the British general election of last April. Both occasions, as it happens, took place in trade union halls and, as I listened to the familiar phrases rolling over me—"brothers and sisters", "working people and their families"— it was as if seven entire months had been washed away.

So incessantly did the victorious ticket of Bill Clinton and Senator Al Gore emphasise that they belonged to "a new generation of Democrats" that it became easy to forget that they were even heirs to the old Democratic party. One reason for their success lay in the skill with which they publicly cut the painter with the past.

Here were two clean-cut young men whose very appearance seemed designed to deliver the message that their party had been reborn. Forget all the old talk about seeking to represent "the underdog" or to forge "a rainbow coalition" — this was a ticket that had set out to wipe the slate clean and make itself acceptable not just to Main Street, USA, but suburban country club America as well.

It was, of course, in part a contrick. The interest groups that Franklin Roosevelt first put together to form the Democratic coalition in 1932 have not vanished with the years: great care was simply taken to make sure that in this election they were none-too-visible. Governor Clinton may have received 84 per cent of the black vote but, on this occasion, it was brought into the Democratic camp almost by stealth. Even the charis-

matic Jesse Jackson found himself, reluctantly or not, relegated to the fringes of the campaign.

The same went for the role of the labour unions. Mr Lane Kirkland, the president of the AFL-CIO (the US equivalent of the TUC) may hardly count as a dangerously radical figure but he still carried altogether too much old-fashioned ideological baggage to be put on public display. One of the few moments, indeed, in which Mr Clinton looked distinctly uneasy consented to take part in a nationwide television hook-up with him. It was a strictly traditionalist trade union occasion but, whether by accident or design, took place safely during Saturday lunchtime with the resulting telecast carefully piped only to gatherings of the

The new president looks, in fact, like coming to the White House with remarkably few political debts to pay. That is partly because, although he graciously accepted the supportuencies, he made remarkbly little effort to go out and court them. The notice — "under entirely new management" — he successfully pinned on the door of his partly during the campaign is also likely to prove the best guarantee of his independence in office.

But how did it come about that the Democrats should have managed to convince a wide range of American voters that they had genuinely turned over a new leaf when that over precisely the achievement which etuded Labour in Britain barely more than six months ago? It is



Tough talker: Clinton freed himself from the sentimental constraints of his party's past

easy simply to say that American politics have never been ideological in the sense that British ones were at least until recently — and that, therefore, Mr Clinton faced a much less daunting task than Neil Kinnock. There is, no doubt.

something to that, although in the 1970s (particularly in the George McGovern era) the Democratic party betrayed exactly the same exclusive preoccupation with the purity of its own internal constitutional arrangements as later afflicted the

Labour party in the Tony Benn years. Nor was the immediate past much more helpful to Governor Clinton. The damage done by the Michael Dukakis campaign of 1988 did not lie merely in its failure to prevail at the polls. More seriously, it also

threatened to identify the party with an essentially out-of-date belief in liberal panaceas panaceas which, even in economic terms, promptly went sour in the candidate's own state of Massachusetts.

If Governor Clinton and his running mate Senator Gore managed in the end to put all that behind them, it was partly because in themselves they triumphantly offered the appeal of treshness and novelty. Through no fault of their own, that was always bound to be an achievement beyond the grasp of Neil Kinnock and Roy Hattersley last spring. Probably only the more sanguine of Labour supporters are likely to feel that it will prove to be within the reach of John Smith and Margaret Beckett (Tony Blair, may eventually offer Labour much the same opportunity). But, to be fair, the new Democratic leadership did not just have a passive appeal: in policy terms it offered a positive one as well.

ndoubtedly its main achievement was to persuade the electorate that it, rather than the Republicans, held the secret of solving the country's economic problems (for all its carefully spelt out proposals this was the one challenge that even at times of recession Labour never quite met at the time of the last election).

Governor Clinton deliberately made the economy the cornerstone of his campaign and, if the ballot boxes ultimately more than vindicated his decision, it was not simply because he was lucky enough to have an opponent who, on this topic at least, significantly failed to inspire confidence. The Democratic standard bearer also talked toughly enough to convince even a majority of white male voters that he had freed himself from all the sentimental constraints of his party's past.

If Labour wishes to emulate the Democratic achievement in this election, it looks as if it will need to embark on equally radical policy surgery. John Smith will have to grit his teeth and reject the concept of welfare as "a way of life" in the same nuthless way as the president-elect did in this campaign. Given the party's history, it does not promise to be a wholly palatable experience; but it still looks like being the necessary precondition, however painful for Labour, to do in Britain what the Democrats so triumphantly brought off in the United States this week.

## Penning for the guy

IN time-honoured tradition fireworks will explode throughout Britain tonight as the country remembers the infamous papist plot on the Houses of Parliament. But, rather surprisingly, two of those most closely associated with Guy Fawkes will not be taking part.

The first is Lady Antonia Fraser, the historian and author, who has chosen as the topic for her next work the complex story of Britain's most notorious conspirator. The second is St Peter's School, York, where Fawkes was once a pupil and where it is considered not quite cricket to burn the old boys.

Fraser, who is soon leaving London for America to promote her last book. The Six Wives of Henry VIII. intends to start researching the new work early next

year.

"I first had the idea while researching a possible future book on the Tower of London and then realised that the Gunpowder Plot was infinitely more interesting," she says. "It will probably be three years before it is published. I am always very slow. I think it is a fascinating mystery. Did he do it? I keep a very open mind on such matters."

Her book will be keenly awaited by the staff and pupils of St Peter's. The school, whose hall prominently boasts a modern oil of its most famous son, has never made mockery of Guy Fawkes. "It really would not be quite proper to burn the guy." says the librarian, Avril Pedley. "After all Guy Fawkes is described by one contemporary as being a man of great piety, of exemplary temperance, of mild and cheerful demeanour, an enemy of disputes and a faithful friend"

Antonia Fraser would probably agree. "I shall not take part in any



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bonfire parties," she says, "I am a catholic myself and will probably be watching my husband (Harold Pinter) in No Man's Land at the Almeida tonight."

Before the election results started pouring in. Raymond Seitz, the US ambassador to London, held an impromptu election of his own. Seitz threw a dinner party for 200 or so guests at the embassy before the party for 2.000 people on Tuesday night.
Seitz asked his guests, on a show

Seitz asked his guests, on a show of hands, to vote for the British candidate they would like as the next president. Not surprisingly. Baroness Thatcher, whose standing has always been high in the US, won overwhelmingly. The real surprise was the runner up. Not John Major, but John Cleese, one of the guests at the banquet.

#### Dress sense

THE Groucho Club was reverberating with plaudits on Tuesday night as Peter O'Toole, Ned Sherrin, Keith Waterhouse and Michael Redington, the award-winning team from Jeffrey Bernard is Unwell, were reunited for the first of the

duction. Our Song.

Somewhat out of the limelight was the fifth man, Charles Routledge. At 82, he is reputedly the oldest working dresser in the business. O'Toole, who stars as the middle aged man besotted by a woman half his age, has struck up a special relationship with Routledge and insisted he work on the production. "It would have been unthinkable to have done the show

without him." the actor says.

Routledge has worked on the "Avenue" for 56 years, starting as a dancer. He has been a dresser for the last 30. Joan Collins, Diana Rigg, Susan Hampshire, Albert Finney, Coral Brown and Vincent Price are among the stars with

whom he has worked.

"Peter has this reputation as a heliraiser but I think he is a perfect gent. I never have any problems with him. He is a joy to work for." says Routledge, who intends to keep working until he drops. "But Diana Rigg is my favourite. I have





• After much speculation about who might fill the shoes of Princess Grace. Ici Paris, the French magazine, says Prince Rainier of Monaco (left) has proposed to his long-standing escort, Princess Ira von Furstenberg (right), the niece of Giovanni Agnelli. Rainier has always said he would never remarry: the magazine says its source is impeccable.

worked with her for 20 years. We have become great friends and I often pop round to her house for tea".

• Estate agents will go to any hengths to sell properties in the current market. One property company, deserving no publicity and which shall, therefore, remain nameless, has resorted to using Baroness Thatcher as a marketing

device. The diary, wiping morsels of egg from its collective face, has been duped by a gimmick involving a Lady T lookalike and a firm of estate agents who should have known better. Contrary to our story on Wednesday, Lady Thatcher has not been looking at Lord Birkenhead's former home in Belgravia and we apologise for stating otherwise. "She is not house-hunting at

the moment." says Sir Tim Bell, speaking on her behalf.

#### Tie-breaker

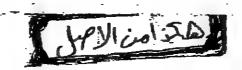
THE row over Maastricht has spread to the offices of ITV, where some executives are fuming over the decision to proceed with last night's live coverage of the European soccer match between Leeds and Glasgow Rangers. ITN was in the enviable position of being the only mainstream television news channel in a position to cover the Maastricht vote live but there was consternation in the ITN camp over the prospect of extra time. A 2-1 victory for Leeds, which would have led to extra time and then a potential penalty shoot-out, just as the Commons voted, was the result ITN executives direaded most.

ITN executives dreaded most.

The BBC. by contrast, was valiantly making up for its lack of live TV coverage of the vote by shunting coverage of the South African rugby match onto BBC1. That enabled BBC2 to show the first three hours of the Maastricht debate in the afternoon. Over on Radio 4 it was live coverage on long wave from be-

ginning to end.

"Talk about being in the wrong place at the wrong time," walled one ITN reporter last night. "We had our eye on the wrong ball. How do we feel? Sick as a parror."



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## TO LEAD AMERICA

Americans want radical change, but prudently managed

president with a passionate belief in the power of government to improve their lives and assure their children a brighter future. As candidate, Governor Clinton radiated impatience "to change America". The pressures on him to produce a convincing action plan as soon as he gets into the White House will now be commensurately great.

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The president-elect has promised an immediate spending package to get people back to work and to raise family incomes, which under Mr Bush have decimed by 1.8 per cent. Over four years, he has pledged to increase federal spending on public works, education, and other social programmes by over \$200 billion. He has promised to recoup costs by defence cuts, higher taxes on the wealthy and a thoroughly unsound and probably illegal plan for milking foreign. companies investing in the US.

He must prepare now to rein in what could easily be a runaway Democratic' Congress, ready to pander to all the party's numerous special interest groups in the name of a Great Society Mark, II. Mr Clinton must strive to keep the balance between right and left that he achieved for most of his campaign. The Democrats' grip on both executive and legislature ends the stalemate of the Bush years but also weakens America's system of checks and balances. He must seize his opportunity to demonstrate that America is a governable country again.

The United States has not shifted markedly to the left, Mr Clinton won by convincing voters that he could combine active promotion of social change with. conservative values, government in partnership with individual effort. He played skilfully upon real middle class anxieties: about America's ability to compete in the world economy, about public squalor amid uneven and insecure private affluence, and converted that anxiety into support.

He argued that the problems Mr Bush blamed on cyclical recession were structural. and he called for government action on health, education, training, and modern communications. But Americans have not voted in favour of a "tax and spend" president; nor for a new boom fuelled by federal debt. Mr Clinton must live with the legacy of \$4000 billion in federal debt bequeathed by presidents Reagan and Bush.

Voters have opted for social liberalism and fiscal conservatism. Mr Clinton must be. ready with a strategy for jobs and growth now; further down the road his supporters will expect him to keep his promise of fiscally prudent government. He must live with his commitment to haive the federal deficit. within four years, which may mean foregoing his promised tax cuts for the middle classes and many of his spending plans:

Luck, however, is on Mr Clinton's side. Too late to help Mr Bush, the American economy is at last showing signs of spontaneous recovery. Without federal stimulus, unemployment is expected to fall to 6 per cent by late 1994. Mr Clinton could accelerate the trends that are already running his way. The newfound strength of the dollar could make it easier for the Federal Reserve to cut interest rates yet further this year. Bank lending is picking up, although one of Mr Clinton's first tasks will be to reverse legislation imposing overstringent new credit controls.

Light pump-priming might be in order, but not a massive public works programme, as Mr Clinton has sometimes suggested. After two decades of relative neglect, Mr.

In Bill Clinton, Americans have elected a Bush has already increased spending on infrastructure by nearly 20 per cent during his presidency. Were Mr Clinton nearly to double that investment, as he has promised. states already struggling to prepare for a \$23 billion federal highway programme might be unable to absorb the new funds until long after the economy had expanded Leadership for Mr Clinton in these circumstances will mean turning what is happening in America to his advantage. He will be given credit for the coming economic upturn.

America needs new ideas more than government money. Mr Bush has aiready acknowledged and acted on some of Mr Clinton's ideas on education. The new piesident's priority on the social front should be his most genuinely radical scheme, aimed at providing health insurance for all Americans by 2000, while cutting health spending by \$746 billion. America's health bill, at 13 per cent of GNP, is out of control; its 30 million uninsured are a standing rebuke to a civilised society; and, with the highest infant mortality rate in the industrialised world. Americans get poor value for their money. The logic of Mr Clinton's arguments points towards a national health insurance scheme, which will be fiercely resisted by private insurers and the healthcare industry. On no issue will Mr Clinton's readiness to confront powerful lobbies be more severely tested.

An American president cannot be a president for America alone. During the campaign. Mr Clinton stopped short, just, of the crudities of "America First". But he believes that America can exercise international leadership only from a strong economic base. That is fine when he means a better-trained workforce; but it must not translate into hostility to international competition. America leads the world in productivity and capital per worker. It suffers not from excessive free trade, as Mr Clinton has implied, but from the mass of protectionist laws passed under two supposedly free-trading presidents, Mr Reagan and Mr Bush.

Mr Clinton needs to jettison his "fair trade" campaign rhetoric immediately if he is to meet his first international challenge. Yesterday, despairing of a deal with the European Community on the Uruguay Round and a related dispute on EC oilseed subsidies. America sought approval from Gatt to introduce \$1 billion worth of retaliatory tariffs against EC exports. Legally, America - which has twice had its complaint upheld by Gatt - is on solid ground. Economically, retaliation could start a trade war on many fronts and wreck a global Gatt agreement worth an immediate \$200 billion a year in extra trade. A transatiantic trade war could widen the fissures which have already begun to appear in the Western alliance, weakening cooperation both in Nato and at the UN.

Mr Bush has shown dignity in defeat. Two decent men should be able to minimise the policy vacuum between now and Mr Clinton's inauguration on January 20. The new president's first act of statesmanship should be to work with Mr Bush to avert this trade war. If Europeans want America to maintain its active engagement on the world scene, they must give ground. A million tons of oilseeds cannot be allowed to create a global recession and set the Western democracies at loggerheads. Free trade has none of the drama of the Cold war. But it is as essential as resurgent American prosperity to managing the post-Cold war peace.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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## Factors that may swing Synod vote on women priests

From the Reverend C. M. Jones

Sir, It is widely asserted that a "yes" vote on the ordination of women in the General Synod on November 11 will plunge the Church of England into turmoil, deep divisions and distraction from more important tasks, while a "no" vote will be a safer course for those unconvinced by the theological arguments in favour. I believe this to be almost exactly the reverse of the truth.

The Church is already beset by turmoil, divisions and distraction as a result of the debate, and your report in early editions today. "Synod vote will split the Church", reminds us that a "no" vote would place intolerable pressures on women deacons and in-

crease the likelihood of illegal action. The inevitable process of further discussion and legislation would merely prolong the agony and bitterness. A vote in layour, though it would create more problems in the short run. would be a courageous step towards resolving the issue and would speed up the processes of reconciliation and

There is good authority in the New Testament (Mark viii, 35) for believing that a germinely safer course is to take a risk, in all humility and in a spirit of trust in Christ and his gospel.

Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER JONES, St John's College, South Bailey, Durham.

From the Reverend E. M. T.

Sir, The bishops and General Synod. have taken pains to assure us that those who do not accept the possible ordination of women as an option would not be discriminated against. A Way Ahead, the report on the future of ministerial training issued by a working party led by Bishop Hardy (details, October 29, earlier editions), now gives the lie to this "assurance": Mirfield Theological College is threatened because it will not train women, Oak Hill Theological College because (among other reasons) it reportedly trains women inadequately.

So there we have it. The threat of discrimination has reared its head even before the debate on the women's ordination question has been held in Synod, and is in spite of one quarter of the House of Bishops voting against the publication of the report. Is it the authors' aim to get rid of all vigour and variety, landing us in an anaemic middle ground where women pre-

Mirfield and Oak Hill are acknowledged to be two of Britain's best theological colleges, giving vivacity and stability to the Church both by the quality of the students they attract and the teaching they provide. Bishop Hardy's report must be rejected at once before it does any more harm.

EDWARD UNDERHILL St George's Vicarage, 327 Durham Road, Gateshead, Tyne and Wear.

From Rabbi Dr Jonathan Romain

Sir, Seventeen years ago Reform and Liberal synagogues were also faced with the issue of female ordination and drew up remarkably similar bandelines. Those in favour argued that the equality of women in society was not a passing fad but a major and permanent sociological change that had to be recognised within religious life too. Those against cited "tradition" and warned that the community would be split irrevocably. Both groups were sure that God was on their side.

In the event women were ordained but neither walk-outs nor thunderbolts occurred. With hindsight it is clear that much of the opposition was based on habit rather than conviction. A decade and a half later, acceptance of woman rabbis is such that we wonder why we ever made such a fuss about it. The Church of England may well feel the same in 2009.

Yours faithfully, JONATHAN ROMAIN, Maidenhead Synagogue, 9 Boyn Hill Avenue, Maidenhead, Berkshire. October 30.

From the Reverend Hugh Valentine

Sir, I am a worker-priest in the Church of England and manager of a children and families' social work team in local government. I work alongside women in both settings. Additionally my paid work brings me into regular contact with women operating at many levels in such professions as the law, medicine, the police and the probation service. Within my own department I report to a woman, and the department's head

I believe I see amongst these women the same incidence of competence and incompetence, compassion and hardheartedness, gifts and handicaps, wisdom and suppidity that I observe among men. And in this glorious tangle of humanity I believe I observe God's handiwork and evidence of

I am unconvinced by the fears of those members of General Synod

intending to vote against the ordination of women about a measure that will enable the sacred office of priest to become as inclusive of God's creation as the creation is itself.

Yours faithfully, HUGH VALENTINE. 4 Leigh House, Halcrow Street, Whitechapel, E1. October 29.

From Miss Anne Bulloch

Sir, Your leader, "The priestly voca-tion" (October 30), describes tradition as the stronger of the two main arguments against the ordination of women. It is, indeed, much older than the Church of England.

But is a tradition that encompassed the episcopacy of the Borgia popes but would deny priesthood to such as St Catherine of Siena, St Teresa of Avila, Mother Julian of Norwich or, in our own day, Mother Teresa, worthy of

When the Church makes gender not spirituality the criterion for ordination it has its priorities very wrong

Yours faithfully.
ANNE BULLOCH, 1 Cranley Mansion, 160 Gloucester Road, SW7. November 2.

From Mr Derek Edwards

Sir. Your leading article asks "had Jesus been female, would women now be guarding the priesthood against the opposite sex as jealously as do

men?" May I suggest an answer.
If Jesus had been female, the allmale priesthood would now be telling us that, in Jesus, women's priesthood had been perfectly fulfilled and that to ordain women as priests now would be blasphemy, implying that Jesus had somehow been lacking in some way. They would point to the sex of the apostles (whether all male, all female, or some of each) as evidence to back up this argument.

On the other hand and in the same spirit of conjecture, if all women deacons were suddenly to declare that they are being called only to the diaconate, not to the priesthood, I would confidently expect someone to announce that "it is not that women do not make very good deacons there is no doubt that they do - it is just that the diaconate is not what they are being called to".

Yours etc. DEREK EDWARDS, 194 West Wycombe Road. High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire.

#### No, minister?

From Sir Roy Denman

down from more than 700,000 in 1979 to 536,000 today and a cut of another 25,000 posts is apparently now in prospect. What would usefully complement this is a proportionate reduction in the ranks of their bosses, government ministers.

France, which was poorer than Britain in the immediate postwar years, and in terms of national income is now 20 per cent better off, has only In Britain just under 90 members of

both Houses of Parliament are members of the government. Particularly striking is the number of junior ministers, ministers of state and parliamentary under secretaries. For example, the Department of the Environment has a secretary of state, three ministers of state and three parliamentary under secretaries, all with the traditional costly perquisites

of ministerial office. Why does a country markedly less successful than France need to employ twice as many politicians to run its affairs? Perhaps if there were fewer of them they would have been better able to communicate with each other in the recent coal

Yours faithfully, ROY DENMAN. 26 St Luke's Street, SW3.

From the General Secretary of the Association of First Division Civil Servants

Sir, Is Peter Riddell implying (in his report of October 28 on the job moves of senior civil servants in the Department of Trade and Industry) that civil servants should be held responsible for policy failure in government?

It is not a mere "convention" that ministers are held responsible for policy mistakes. It is just possible that as the policies are undoubtedly those of the government, ministers, and ministers alone, should be responsible.

Perhaps Mr Riddell has some particular technique of discovering what advice ministers are given as to the implementation of their policies. But as civil servants are bound by a code of conduct that guarantees absolute confidentiality and loyalty to the minister of the day, a civil servant will be unable publicly to explain any given, and the decision actually taken by a minister Civil a minister. Civil servants advise. Ministers decide.

Moreover, the naming publicly of civil servants who are unable to defend their own position, indeed who would be sacked if they were to attempt to do so, seems a pretty loaded way of putting an individual on trial, and sentencing him, without any oppor-tunity at all for a defence to be heard. Yours sincerely.

ELIZABETH SYMONS. General Secretary, The Association of First Division Civil Servants. 2 Caxton Street, SW1.

#### Fathers know best? From Ms Mary Honeyball

Sir. The Child Support Act, when it reaches the statute book next April, could solve the problem for fathers who doubt the paternity of their children, as described in Sean French's article of October 29. "Father knows best ... or does he?" Under the act, the Child Support Agency will be able to use the courts to obtain a DNA test to prove the pater-nity of a putative father and his liability to pay maintenance. In addition officers will be able to visit his workplace or get information from the Inland Revenue and local authorities.

Gingerbread opposes this legislation. One in three of our membership fear violence from an ex-partner. Under the act they will be expected to name the absent parent or suffer cuts in benefit if they cannot provide evidence for their fears.

Sean French writes: "If fathers envy the mother's biological connection, this is accompanied by a sense that motherhood is just a little too easy". Seventy per cent of single mothers live on £100 a week or less, which is not an enviable state. The Child Support Act will not help the 75 per cent of lone parents who live on income support, as any maintenance collected will be deducted from their benefit.

Yours sincerely, MARY HONEYBALL (Chief Executive). Gingerbread. 35 Wellington Street, WC2

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#### MCC's role in English cricket

From Mr Raman Subba Row

Sir. The public debate on the wisdom or otherwise of not selecting David Gower for the forthcoming England cricket tour to India has been overtaken by the broader issue of the capacity of MCC members to influence or override the decisions taken by the properly constituted committee of the relevant England governing body - the Test and County Cricket Board (reports, Sport, October 28, 29, 30).

Along with the 18 first-class counties and the Minor Counties Cricket Association, MCC is a member of TCCB. As such MCC has as much right to advise TCCB of its corporate views as any of its 19 fellow-members and, like any of those 19, it should pay attention to the voices of those within its own club. Then, through its committee, it should decide what views should or should not be conveyed to TCCB.

What is emerging at the moment is a scenario giving the impression to the public that MCC is still in charge of England cricket. All that changed in 1968 when TCCB was formed. Since then MCC has continued to play an important role in the development of the game at grass-roots level both nationally and internation-ally as well as providing England cricket with its largest and most

prestigious venue at Lord's, Long may that role continue without the current distractions of illconceived and expensive special general meetings - however constitutionally correct their convening may be. Would not the £17,000 that such a meeting costs be better spent on something as positive as youth cricket?

Yours faithfully, RAMAN SUBBA ROW, Leeward, Manor Way, South Croydon, Surrey. November 3.

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#### Royal visit to Seoul

From the General Secretary of the Royal British Legion

Sir. It is hardly surprising that the Prince and Princess of Wales were looking solemn during the opening stages of their visit to Korea (photo-graph, November 3). Not only had they just endured the long flight to Seoul, but their first duty there was to lay a wreath at the monument to Korean heroes; surely this, like their visit yesterday to the Gloster Memorial, was a solemn occasion.

I have no doubt that the sentiments so movingly portrayed by both the prince and princess will be widely shared next Sunday at the Cenotaph and in churches throughout the land. I am also sad that some other graphs taken on both occasions to project their own interpretations of other matters.

Yours feithfully, PHILIP CREASY, General Secretary, The Royal British Legion, 48 Pall Mall SW1. November 4.

#### **Dove Cottage**

From the Director of the

Sir, Mr Peter Brooke, the Secretary of State for National Heritage, is not. and could not be, the owner of Dove Cottage at Grasmere ("Our patrician priest of pleasure", Weekend, October

On December 1, 1891, Mr Peter Brooke's great-grandfather. Stopford Brooke, and a group of gentlemen, having bought Dove Cottage through a national subscription, formed the Wordsworth Trust to establish a memorial to the poet.

Stopford Brooke was the first chairman of this charitable trust, and since then there has always been a member of the Brooke family amongst the trustees. Very recently, Mr Brooke has felt it proper to resign as a trustee because of his ministerial appointment.

Yours sincerely, ROBERT WOOF, The Wordsworth Trust. Dove Cottage, Grasmere, Cumbria. November 3.

#### Extra time

From Mr Gerald J. Goodhardt

Sir, In support of Simon Jenkins's article on crime statistics (October 30). I recall hearing 40 years ago from an eminent Cambridge criminologist that in a certain East Midlands town arrests for soliciting soared on the evenings before the local football team was playing at home.

This turned out to be due not to the opportunity for increased trade offered by the presence of supporters of the visiting team, as first thought, but to the fact that police officers required to attend court on Saturday morning were given Saturday afternoon off.

Yours faithfully. G. GOODHARDT. City University Business School, Frobisher Crescent, Barbican Centre, EC2.

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## **OBSTACLES TO LEARNING**

Teaching children with special needs is not a matter of money

All children have special needs, but those suffering from dyslexia, poor sight or other obstacles to learning, have more special needs than others. Much to his credit, John Patters, the education secretary, has forced this neglected educational issue to the top of his agenda for schools and into his radical education bill, due for its second reading on Monday. The failure of the education service to cater for its most vulnerable pupils is one of the most shaming blemishes on its record and one that successive governments have buried in committees and platitudes. To-day's proposals by the Audit Commission could help to reverse this trend.

Educational lobbies have often insisted that the problems faced by parents of children with special needs could be quickly solved with cash. But the Audit Commission's preliminary study in June found otherwise: the problem is essentially one of management. The system of special provision introduced by the 1981 Education Act is in a sorry state — to the cost of the already disadvantaged children who have become its bureaucratic victims. Some local authorities take more than three years to issue statements setting out pupils' particular requirements. The fate of a child with learning difficulties has become a regional lottery: pupils with registered special needs vary from fewer than one per cent in some

areas to more than three in others. The Audit Commission has now followed up its scathing diagnosis with a suggested course of treatment. In the true spirit of the government's education reforms, the commission has produced a manual, based on case studies of good practice and a "dientcontractor" relationship between local authorities and schools. Funds should follow children with special needs and schools should be held properly accountable for their progress. Too often in the past councils have prevented resources following pupils from

special schools into mainstream education, thus dissuading head teachers from admitting children whose needs would inevitably cause a financial drain.

More radically, councils are urged to delegate cash for pupils with special needs without waiting for the formality of the statement that is currently the principal sticking-point. The commission rightly demands a clear definition of special needs and a legal time limit for the drawing up of assessments, tasks repeatedly dodged by legislators and officials.

This admirable shopping list, backed up by independent inspection, would certainly improve the lot of the 1.2 million pupils with special educational needs. But there are still areas which the Commons select committee on education should explore further in its forthcoming report on special provision. Growth of the grant-maintained sector, diversity in admissions policies, and the pressure on schools to excel in league tables, must not create a stratum of unwanted children, shunted from school to school.

There are encouraging signs, in fact, that some onted-out schools are already responding to the needs of the market and will focus on special education. The education bill will also introduce a tribunal to which parents of children with special needs can appeal against local authority decisions. A crucial test of the reform will be whether it offers choice to parents who have felt powerless.

One danger is that reform must be put into effect by local education authorities, just as the government appears to be dismanting them. Though councils will remain responsible for special needs, most of their other functions will be transfered, bit by bit, as more schools opt out, to the new funding agency. There is ample scope here for another bureaucratic failure and another generation of classroom casualties. This Mr Patten must avoid.

## Tax and charities

From the General Secretary of the Leonard Cheshire Foundation

Sir. As preparations go ahead for implementing the council tax next April we realise that it involves one unexpected change of policy. This is that non-business property used for charitable purposes is no longer exempt or eligible for exemption save to a very minor extent. In practical terms this means that

every residential care home for dised people, taking just one example, is almost certainly going to be caught. without chance of exemption, for 50 per cent of the G-band rate of council tax. And if at least two non-exempt people normally live there, as is often the case, then that home will be liable for 100 per cent of the tax in that

I understood that the general change from poll tax to council tax was to make the latter half a property and half a personal tax. In doing so what justification is there for removing a charitable exemption, and even a discretionary partial exemption which has existed for many years in both the rating and the poll tax legislation and still thankfully remains for the uniform business rate? Why should charities like ours, having donated our buildings for a purpose,

then be taxed on them? I have sought in vain for a gov ernment response on this. Perhaps other charities could lend their voice to ours before it is absolutely too late.

Yours truly. SIMON HARDWICK, General Secretary, The Leonard Cheshire Foundation. 26-29 Maunsel Street, SW1.

## Studio closure

From Mr Ronald Neil

Sir, Your correspondents (October 29) are wrong to think that by closing the Christchurch studio in Bristol the quality of BBC radio drama will suffer. The BBC is committed to producing strong drama from all around the UK. We believe we can do this more efficiently and effectively by using fewer studios and developing specialist centres. In England, radio drama will be centred on Birming-ham and Manchester as well as London. Christchurch has indeed produced distinguished work and the same producers will maintain that high standard of output in the Birmingham drama centre.

RONALD NEIL (Managing Director, Regional Broadcasting), British Broadcasting Corporation, White City, 201 Wood Lane, W12.

#### Bomber Harris From Mr Tony Augurde

Sir, I think your front-page report of the vandalising of the Bomber Harris statue (October 30) was unfair to state that, when the statue was unveiled in May: "About 200 peace protesters tried to disrupt proceedings by spraying paint over onlookers." It is true that about that number took part in a non-violent, silent protest but paint was sprayed by an entirely separate handful of demonstrators.

Yours faithfully A. J. AUGARDE (Campaign worker), Peace Pledge Union, 6 Endsleigh Street, WC1.



#### **COURT CIRCULAR**

Meeting of the Judges at Bucking-

ham Palace.
His Royal Highness, President

the Institute of Sports Sponsor-ship, attended a Luncheon Meet-

Mr Brian McGrath, Wing Com

mander Christopher Moran, RAF, Major Ian Grant and Captain

Giles Inglis-Jones were in

November 4: The Princess Royal,

President, Animal Health Trust.

this morning held a Meeting of the

Trust's Industry Committee at Buckingham Palace.

Her Royal Highness, President, The Princess Royal Trust for

Carers, afterwards attended the British Medical Association Carers

National Association Conference, Royal College of General Prac-titioners, 14 Princes Gate, Hyde

The Princess Royal, President, Save the Children Fund, attended a Luncheon at Selfridge's Store,

Oxford Street, London W1, and was received by the Lord Mayor of

Westminster (Councillor Dr Cyril

Her Royal Highness, Chan-

cellor. University of London, this afternoon opened the new Hall of

Residence, Royal Holloway and

Bedford New College, Egham Hill, and was received by Her

Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Surrey (Mr Richard Thornton).

Mrs David Bowes Lyon was in

November 4: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, Pa-

tron of the Friends of the Iveagh

Bequest, Kerrwood, was present

this evening at a Reception and

Private View of the Bicentenary Exhibition of Robert Adam at

Kenwood House, Hampstead. Mrs Robin Benson and Major the Lord Napler and Etrick were

November 4: The Duke of Kent.

Visitor, this morning visited Cranfield Institute of Technology.

Milton Keynes, and was met on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Bedfordshire (Mr Samuel Whitbread).

His Royal Highness, Vice Chair-man of the British Overseas Trade

Board, this afternoon visited Electroversal Ltd., and IBC Ve-

Captain the Hon Tom Coke was

The Duchess of Kent, Deputy

Colonel in Chief of the Royal Dragoon Guards, today received Major General Patrick Brooking,

Colonel of the Regiment.

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE

November 4: The Sultan of Brunei Darussalam this morning drove to Procession, accompanied by a Captain's Escort with Standard of the Household Cavalry, and re-ceived High Commissioners of the Commonwealth Countries and Ambassadors accredited to the Court of St James's.

His Majesty visited No 10 Downing Street and had talks with the Prime Minister.

The Sultan of Brunei Darussalam and The Raja Isteri were subsequently entertained to Luncheon at Lancaster House by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs (the Rt Hon Douglas Hurd, MP) on behalf of Her Majesty's

The Sultan of Brunei dam and The Queen this evening attended a Ceremony of Beating Retreat and a Reception to celebrate the one hundred and seventy-fifth Anniversary of the 6th Queen Elizabeth's Own Gurkha Rifles at the Tower of London.

Their Majesties were received by the Constable of the Tower (Field Marshal Sir John Stanier) and the Resident Governor (Major Gen-eral Christopher Tyler), who of-fered their Keys to The Queen, and by Major General Raymond Pett

Own Gurkha Rifles).

The Sultan of Brunel Darussalam and The Raja Isteri laner received an Address of Welcome at a Court of Common Council and afterwards were entertained at a Banquet by the Rt Hon the Lord Mayor and Corporation of London at Guildhall.

The Prince Edward was present. The Raja Isteri, accompanied by rincess Amal Umi Kalthum Al-Islam, this morning visited the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormand Street, London WC1, and was received by the Chairman of the Board of Governors (Sir

Brian Hill). Sir Allan Ramsey was received in audience by The Queen and kissed hands upon his appoint-ment as Her Majesty's Ambas-sador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Rabat.

Her Majesty invested Sir Allan with the Insignia of a Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St George. Lady Ramsay was also received

by The Queen. Mr Thomas Duggin (British High Commissioner to the Repub-lic of Vanuatu) and Mrs Duggin were received by Her Majesty. General Sir Patrick Palmer was received by The Queen upon relinquishing his appointment as Colonel of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders and Major General David Thomson on

assuming the appointment.
The Lady Elton has succeeded Lady Abel Smith as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.
The Duke of Edinburgh, President, Tiger Club Dawn to Dusk Competition Panel of Judges, this morning took the chair at a

engagements

The Duke of Edinburgh, as patron and twelfth man of The Lord's Taverners, will present the 1992 County Championship trophy to the winning team at Buckingham Palace at noon; and, as Honorary Fellow of the Institute of Sports Medicine, will present certificates at a reception at Burlington House at 5.30.

Today's royal

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother will visit the Field of Remembrance at St Margarer's Church, Westminster Abbey, at 11.30.

snip, anemoeu a Lincaster Hotel.
London W2. Brigadier Miles
Hunt-Davis was in attendance.
The Duke of Edinburgh, President of the National Playing Fields
Association, this aftermoon presented the President's Certificates The Princess Royal will open York University's social policy research unit's carers conference at the New Connaught Rooms at 10.30; and, as President of the Royal Yachting Association, will attend a dinner at sented the President's Certificate for 1992 at Buckingham Palace. His Royal Highness, President, this evening attended a Reception to mark the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of King George's Fund for Sailors at St James's Palace. 7.20.

Princess Margaret, as Colonel-in-Chief of 15th/19th The King's Royal Hussars, will attend the regiment's final officers' dinner at the Cavalry and Guards Club at 8.00. The Duchess of Gloucester, as

Patron of the Iris Fund (for Prevention of Blindness), will visit the medical school of Guy's and St Thomas' Hospitals at at St Thomas' Hospital at 11.00.

The Duke of Kent will visit Logica, Cohkaya, at 10.20; will coper the Cobham, at 10.30; will open the Woking Town Centre re-development at 11.45; and, as President of the King Edward VII's Hospital for Officers, will attend a council meeting at Beaumont Street, W1, at 4.55.

Birthdays today

Mr R.W. Annand, VC, 78; Sir John Bailey, former HM Procurator General and Treasury Solicitor, 64; Viscount Bangor, 87; Mr E.R.H. Bowring, insurance broker, 77; the Right Rev F.W. Cocks, former Bishop of Shrews-bury, 79; Mr Art Garfunkel, singer and composer, 51; General Sir John Hackett, 82; Mrs Caroline Jackson, MEP, 46; Dr Paul Knapman, coroner for West-minster, 48; the Rev Professor John Marsh, former principal, Mansfield College, Oxford, 88; Professor Sir David Mason, presi-dent, General Dental Council, 64; Mr. Nicheles May composer, 57; Mr Nicholas Maw, composer, 57; Mr John Morris, QC, MP, 61; Mr Lester Piggott, jockey and rac-horse trainer, 57; Rear-Admiral Andrew Richmond, former executive director, RSPCA, 61; Lord Stallard, 71; Mr Ned Temko, editor, Jewish Chronicle, 40; Sir Anthony Tennant, chairman, Guinness, 62; the Earl of Yarborough, 29.

Austrian Ambassador

The Austrian Ambassador presented the insignia and decree of to Sir Sigmund Sternberg at the austrian Embassy on November
Austrian Embassy on November
3. Mr Paul Grosz, President of the
Austrian Jewish Community, His
Honour Israel Finestein, QC,
President of the Board of Departes of British Jews, and Mr Clemens Nathan, Vice President of the Anglo Jewish Association, also spoke. Among those present were: The Apostolic Pro-Nuncio, the Ambessadors of Lutembourg. The Netherlands, France, Belgium and

DEATHS

## Forthcoming marriages

Mr W.G.De-G. Allingham and Miss G.E.H. Rogers

The engagement is announced between Glen, son of Mr and Mrs J.D.De-G. Allingham, of Craggie, Nairn, and Gillian, daughter of Mr and Mrs MJ. Rogers, of Banstead, Surrey.

lonkheer A.G.F.M. Alting von and Miss M.A. Same

The engagement is announced between Alexander, eldest son of Professor Jonkheer and Mevrouw Frans Ahing von Geusau, of The Netherlands, and Marie Angeline, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Karl Uirik Sanne, of Linzembourg

Mr P.R. Corver Miss M.J. Des

The engagement is announced between Paul, son of Mr and Mrs Raymond Corver, of Ewhurst, Surrey, and Mary Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Case, of Sayers Common, Sussex. and Mim A. Marillo Owen

The engagement is announced

between Jason, son of Mr and Mrs Colin Evans, of Bristol, Avon, and Angharad, daughter of Mr and Mrs Gareth Maslin Owen, of

Penarth, South Glamorgan.

Mr J.M. Hammond and Miss S.M. Postic The engagement is announced between Jonathan Mark, elder son of the Rev E.L. and Mrs Hammond, of Southborough, Kent. and Susan Margaret, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs R.A. Posde, of Great Yarmouth,

The Institute of Masters of Wine

The annual reception of the In-stitute of Masters of Wine was held

last night at Vintners' Hall by

permission of the Master and Court of the Vintners' Company.

The immediate Past Mester, Mr John Davy, presented certificates to the successful candidates in this

year's examination and the win-

ners of the Tim Derouet and

Safeway awards received their prizes. On behalf of the Madame Bollinger Foundation Mr An-

thony Leschallas reaffirmed its

support for the institute which was acknowledged by the chairman. Mr Kenneth Christle, MW, who

in reply, also welcomed members

Field Marshal Lord Carver and

Viscount Montgomery of Alamein were the speakers at a dinner of the

7th Armoured Division Officers'

Club held last night at the Naval and Military Club to mark the

break-out of the division from the

Alamein line on November 4, 1942. General Sir Thomas Pear-

The Queen's Royal Irish Houses The last Officers' Annual Dinner

of The Queen's Royal Irish Hus

sars before amalgamation, was held last night at the Cavalry and Guards Club. General Sir Brian

Kenny, Colonel of the Regiment, presided.

Service dinner

7th Armoured Division

Reception

Mr R.W.E. Hardwry and Miss H.G. Adams The engagement is announced between Roland, son of Mr and Mrs Robert Hanbury, of Drumstinchall, Kirkcudbright shire, and Heather, daughter of Mr and Mrs Douglas Adams, of

Dunmurry, Co Antrim. Mr N.G. Hegarty and Miss J.E. Lloyd

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, younger son of Mr and Mrs D.J. Hegarty, of Merthyr Mawr Road, Bridgend, and Janet, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs D.J. Lloyd, of Bryn Hidiagend, Pridgend Llidiard, Bridgerd. Dr D. Hochkauser

and Dr J. Garland The engagement is announced between Daniel, son of Mr and Mrs Victor Hochhauser, of Hamp-stead, London, and Joanne, daughter of Dr Martin Garland, and Mrs Pamela Garland, of Wembley, Middlesex.

Mr S.J. Page and Miss E. McBrien The engagement is announced between Simon, elder son of Mr and Mrs F.J. Page, of Fleet,

Hampshire, and Emma, daughter of Mr and Mrs W.R. McBrien, of St Leonards-on-Sea, Sussex. Mr L.C. Reintjes and Miss N.C. French

and Miss N.C. Freach
The engagement is announced
between Lawrence Charles, elder
son of Mr Anthony Reimies, of
Preston, Hertfordshire, and Mis
Pamela Reimies, of Frinton-onSea, Essex, and Nicola Catharine, younger daughter of Mr Martin and Lady Rosemary French, of Offley, Hernfordshire.

Lord Macfarlane of

Bearsden, who is to be Lord High Commissioner

to the General Assembly

of the Church of Scotland

in 1993

Mrs Janet Hilary Smith QC to be a

Justice of the High Court, assigned to the Queen's Bench Division.

Peter Pingret to be a Circuit Judge,

Michael Lee and Derek Victor

Steel to be district judges, Mr Lee at Woolwich and Ilford County

Courts and Mr Steel at Willesten

and West London County Courts.

Rodney Phillip Huggies to be national chairman of the Indepen-

on the South Eastern Chronit

Appointments

Mr D.P. Robinson
and Miss K.J.A. Kaye
The engagement is announced
between Dominic, son of Mr
David Robinson, of Hesslewood,
East Yorkshire, and of Mrs Manreen White, of Marbella, Spain, and Katharine, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Kaye, of Knightsbridge, London. Mr S. Rudofsky

mr S. Knoorsky
and Miss H. Kohn
The engagement is amounced
between Steven, son of Mr and
Mis Bert Rudofsky, of Long
Island, New York, and
Hephzibah, daughter of Dr and
Mr Palph Kohn of Hepazzeset Mrs Ralph Kohn, of Hampstead,

Mr M.G. Tyrrell and Miss J. Sharkey
The engagement is announced between Martin, son of Mr and Mrs G.E. Tyrrell, of Dawlish, Devon, and Jessica, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs James Sharkey, of Woodford Wells, Feser.

and Miss J.K. Stannard The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr and

between Richard, son of Mr and Mrs Raymond Wergan, of Milton Point, Yealm Road, Newton, Ferrers, Devon, and Joanne, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Stannard, of Quin Court, Braughing, Hertfordshire. Mr P.R. Wilson and Miss P.L. Winn

The engagement is announced between Paul, son of Mr and Mrs B.R. Wilson, of Dundonald, County Down, and Pippa, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs A.H.

#### Appointments in the Forces Royal Navy

**Royal Marines** MAJOR: Major T M Gregory to Dept of CGRM March 19.

The Army

Major General M J D Waller Citt. in be Assistant Chief of the General Staff, from Dec 11. In succession to Major General RN Wheeler CRE.

COLONEL: A P A Arengo-Jones Laze Glossaci Nov 9.

Royal Air Force

CORMANDER: J E Dewson - Westminster March 16: D C M Regusson - MOD London April 23: R A Lane - Nato USA April 23: D A Lewis - MOD London April 22: J C Mundy - Mercury Peb 9: C A M Parrish - Da Kiev Nov 14: P A C Wheen-MOD London Jan 29.

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Royal Air Force

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GROUP CAPTAIN: R F R Carr - To FAF
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RAF Hospital Wegbern Now 2.
WING COMMANDER: D R Bannisher - To
Lenchart Gct 26: J R A Whiney - To HQ
RAF Sechnheim Oct 26: F G Hinkowek
To HQ 1: GF Oct 26: R W King - To 6 F15
RAF Finningley Oct 26: B G McLaren - To
MOD/DARSD Oct 26: T J N Bohon - To
Perm President SCM Oct 30: G J A Abbott
To DEBORU RAF Headley Court Nov 2.

## **Dinners**

Corporation of London To mark the visit by the Sultan of Brunei Darussalam and The Raja Isteri to the City of London yesterday, the Lord Mayor and Corporation of London presented an address of welcome and afteran address of weather and aler-wards a banquet was held in Guildhall. Prince Edward was present. The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, accompanied by the Sheriffs and their ladies, received the guests. Among those

present were

Priest Pent Bolkish, Princess Amal Umi
Kathum Al-tisam and Pengiran Indera
Serie Diraja Pengiran Amal Pagi Indera
Serie Diraja Pengiran Amal Pagi Index,
Pehin Dato Haji Isa, Datin Hajiah Roman,
Pehin Dato Haji Abdul Aziz ana Detin
Hajiah Zaharah, the High Commission and
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Monaromed Nawawi, Dato Abdul
Manjor, Pengiran Haji Suhaimi, the
Ambassadar of Mexico and Sehora
Sepalweda, the Filigh Commissioner in
Ambassadar of Mexico and Sehora
Rocswara and Mr. Nacha,
Ambassadar of Indonesia and Miss Hadi
Thayeb, the Lord Chambersain and the
Ambassador of Indonesia and Miss Hadi
Commess of Airlie, the Ambassador of the
Republic of Ireland and Mr. Smal, the
High Commissioner for Assacials and
Mrs. Smith, the Ambassador of the
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and Lady Armstrong of Indinister, Sir
Denis Thatcher and Baroners Tharcher,
OM, the Bishop of Buckingham and Mrs. present were

Burrows, the Misser of the Englis and Ledy Bringham. On President of the Fundly Division and Lady Brown. Ar Irom King. CH. MF. And Sirs Ring, the Governor of the Bank of Empired and Str. Leigh-Permiserion, the Manties of State for porting and Commonweath afters and Mrs Goodlad, the Minister of State for Defence Professionals, quests and representatives of organizations bering commercial and cumula commercions with Brunel, representatives from HM Forces and the civil Service, representatives of the civil Service, representatives of the civil Service, addernon. Common Commitmen and Conferrs of the Corporation of Landon and their second.

Speaker

The Speaker gave a dinner last night in Speaker's House. The DIGIR M. Speaker's Horse. The guests were commonly and the property of the common and the common

Cariton Club Viscount Whitelew, KT, CH, was the principal guest at the annual dinner of the Carlson Chib Golfing Society held last night at the club. Mr S.W. Cherwynd-Archer, presi-

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Richlett, Miss R M. Bruchell, A. P. Couta, A.
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### University news

Oxford St Hugh's

Awards P R J Blair, Hodgson scholarship; F E Bowen, Ethel Seaton scholarship; Yed Chit Chow, Ethel Seaton schol; E Wal Eok Chung, Muffield schol; G D Cohen, Ethel Seaton schol; M Regan Hodgson schol; G Heinert, Nutfleid schol; A M Lee, Franc Strigiey schol; A Martino, Cara Breityn Mordan schol; D F Osborn, Nuffield schol; C J Story, Hodgson schol; E T W Turner, Hodgson schol; J P Wilson, Cara Breityn Mordan schol and Eatherine Lawrence memorial prine; A Kar Yes Wong, Ethel Seaton schol; A J Hilton, Chra Breityn Mordan achic A J Fillon, Chra Evelyn Mordan achicitate S C Walls, Ethel Seaton exhibition.

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Luncheon

To scholarships: JA Addison, Miss E S Addiey, AJ R Bool, J N Burnawi, Miss L Carroll, M A Conradi, N Box Davies, Miss C L Emmen. J M Harris, T D Heightman, M J Maghieson. P Odding, Miss S E Procor. S J Pichand Jones, R L H o Heightman, he i magnesim. P County diss S 6 Piggott, S J Prichard Jones, R L H colonson, Miss R M Sherwood, Miss L R devens, J R Tickner. P Vigans, M J Vipond. To a Mayricke schot: I G Evans.
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Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales
Mr Iam Plaistowe, President of
The Institute of Chartered Accoun-

tents in England and Wales, and members of the Council gave a hunchem yesterday at Chartered Accountants Hall. The guests were the Right Hon The Lord Mayor, Sir Brian Jenkins, GBE. MA, Dsc, Alderman and Sheriff Roger Cork, Alderman Neil Young, MA, and Officers of the Corporation of London.

Service huncheon

RA Council of Scotland Colonel J.G. Mathieson precoone J.G. Mattheson presided at the Antumin meeting of the Royal Artillery Council of Scotland held yesterday at Headquarters Scotland, Chrigheball, Edinburgh, Brigadier J.L. Johnston, Com-mander, Royal Artillery, UK Land

Forces, and Mr LH. Ogle, President of Glasgow Chamber of Commerce, were the principal guests at a huncheon

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Hans Sachs, poet and BIRTHS: Hans Sachs, poet and dramatist. Nüremberg, 1494; James Elroy Flecker, poet, London, 1884; John Burdon Haldane, physiologist and geneticist, Bhubaneswar, India, 1892; Vivien Leigh, actress, Darjeefing, 1913. DEATHS: Bernardini Ramazzini, physician, Padoa, 1714; James Clerk Maxwell, physicist, Cambridge, 1879; George M. Cohan, actor and song writer, New York, 1942; Maurice Utrilio-painter, Le-Vesines, 1955; Mack Sennet. Vesinet, 1955; Mack Sennett, creator of the Keystone Cops films, Hollywood, 1960; Jacques Tati, actor and film director, 1982; Earnoun Andrews, broadcaster, London, 1987.

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## PERSONAL COLUMN

FAX: 071 481 9313 £

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BIRTHS
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3rd 1992, of Princess Anna Hospital: Southampson, to Stephanie (use Garfield) and
Strart, a son. Oliver Joseph, BREARE - On November 1st, to Susan (née Nangie) and
Robert & son, Thomas Mark.  CAMBOLL - On October 28th.  to Melanie thee Smith) and  Stephen. & son. Heary
Richard Hugo.  LEE - On November 2nd. to Fiona (née Andrews) and Simon, a daughter, Rebecca.
LORD - On November 3rd, to Anne (née Clarson) and Guy, a son. George, a brother for
MACLEAN OF DOCH GARROCH - Co Orlows

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BARROCH - On October 29th, to Arme and Alban, a daughter, Augusta Jane Murray, Augusta Jane Murray, McDOWELL - On Movember 3rd, to Jenny and Bruce, a daughter, Isla Mary, a sister to Elisa.

REEVE-TUCKER - On SHARMAN - On October 23rd 1992, to Jane (née Robett) and Paul, a daughter. Joceline Anna, a sister to

William. SLATER - On October 20th, to Lucy (née Henley) and Nick. a son. Thomas Augustas, a son. Thomas Augustus, STEEL - On October 25th 1992. to kinsteen the Hay) and Authory, a son. Charles. THOMPSON - On October 13th. In Connecticus, USA, James Cartelian, to Curis and Gail unte Hawthorne), a baby brother for Charlie and another haif-brother for Sophie and Jessica. WILCOX - On November 2nd, to Rowena (née Allen) and Hervey, a son, ian Robert James.

By Philip Howard INCONCINNITY a. The state of being CENTRIPETAL

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DIAMOND **ANNIVERSARIES** MAY:MACASSEY - On November 5th 1932 at \$2 Columba's. Pont St. SW1. Bill to Betty, now living at \$3.

SOUCHER - On November 3rd 1992, peacefully at 1992, peacefully at 1971 and 1992, peacefully at 1971 and 1992, peacefully at 1971 and 1992, peacefully at 1992, peacefully and 1992, peacefully at 1992, peacef

BRAIKEVITCH - On November 3rd 1992. Michael. aged 89 years. Dearly loved husband of Irene and loving father and grandfather. Funeral Service at Buckworth Parish Church on Monday November 9th at 2.15 pm. Family Sowers BRAIKEVITCH

Church. Droptnore. Limieworth Common. Burnham, Bucks., followed by cremation at 12.30 pm at the Chiltens Crematorium, Amerikam. Family flowers only. Donations, if wished, to Age Concern c/o H.C. Grimstead Ltd. tel: (0.194) c72668.

DOBSOM - On November 2nd sademy at horms. Each May aged 76. beloved wife or furnish and aged may mother or Nancy and Stephen. Puneral Service at King Alfred College Chapel. Winchester, on Thursday November 12th at 11.30 em. Family flowers only. Donations, it desired, to Alzheimers Disease Society C/o Jno. Steel and Son. Chesil House, Winchester.

DEATHS Difference of the second of th Madeleine, sister Elizabeth Bowden, relatives and friends. Funeral Service was beid at 10 am on Tuesday October 27th at Lisasdell Church, Silgo, fellowed by removal to 8 Anne's Church. Castlemantyr. Co. Cark. Interment took place after Funeral Service at 12 noon on Wednesday October 28th in adjoining therebysel. FAYLE - On November 3rd 1992 at \$1 Andrew's Hospital, Northsmyton, Cicely Resamonds Ametin, Widow of Brigadier L.R.E. (David) Fasile, dearly loved matter of Michael (decement)

Cavid) Fayle, dearly loved monter of Michael decomment and of Angela and loving grandmother. And great-grandmother. Funeral on Thursday November 12th at 2.15 pm at the Chapel of St Andrew's Hospital, followed by private crematice. Family flowers only. but domailors if desired to the RSB C.A.

ALLIUWAY - On November 3rd, peacefully at St Helier Hospital.

Carshallon. Carshallon. Brigadler Gooffrey Lewis Calloway D.S.O., O.B.E., G.M., R.E., Retired, beloved husband of Jocetyn, adored father of Christopher, Lyndy, Angela, Malcotm and dearly loved grandpa of Sarah, Beth. Amy, Andrew, Graham, iam, Lewis, Emily and Rachel. Private creation. Thanksgiving Service in be announced.

GROVE-WHATTE

Service to be unnousced.

GROVE-WHITE — On.

November 2nd 1992.
peacefully at 8 Berndan's House, Military Hill, Cork.

Li. Col. Terence. R.E., retired. Very much loved by all his family and friends. Function Service at 3. Marry.

Church. Doneraile, Co. Cork. on Tuesday November 10th at 3.30 pm. Enquiries to Frederick Bogun Funeral Director. North Gate Bridge.

(010 355) 2130 4444.

HABRISSON — On November (010 353) 21:30 4444.
HARRISON - On November
1st 1992, pencefully in the
Royal United Hospital. Bath.
Albert Norman Charry)
Harrison CB. CVO. OBE.
RCNC. FRINA. aged 91
years. Loving husband of the
late 'Q' and dear father of
Sue. Pumeral Service
Havcombe Crematoriton. Haycombe Crematorium, Bath, on Tuesday November 10th at 12.20 pm. Family

MEWETSON - On October 31st. peacefully at home with her family, Gissia Merianne, aged 61 years. Director and Principal of St. James's Secretarial College, wife of St. An exceptional person who will be assily nussed by many. Requirent Mass at 10 am, Sahrrday Novamber 14th at St. Thomas's Church. Burgate, Contestary, followed by cremation at Barham. Close family, no flowers, donations to The Royal Marsdan Hospital Cancer Fund. In the Spring a Thankagiving Service will be held in London date to be announced.

HODDINOTT - On Novem

HODDINOTT - On November 2nd 1992, peacetaily at home. Phyfile Merry Critic Related wife of Ambony, leving mother of Carl. Sally and John. Much joved grandmother of Sarah, Fenella, Amy, Christopher and Patrick. Finneral Service at St Agatha's Church, Brightweil-cum-Sotweil, Oxom. on November 6th at 2pm. Family flowers only please. A collection will be made at the Church for charity. HORTON - On November 3rd
1992 peacefully at
Rosemount Retirement
Home. Chudleigh. Devon.
Jermie aged 84 years, loving
wife of the late Major
General Cyril Horton C.B.,
O.B.E. Royal Marines,
Chapel. Eoeter and Devon
Crematorium. Topsham
Road, Exeter, on Monday
November 9th at 2.15pm.
Enquiries to Torbay and
District Funeral Service,
Wellswood House, 11
Babbacombe Road, Torquisy,
ter. (0803) 318005.

KITSON - On November 2nd

LONSDALE - On November 3rd 1992, Louis, tragically in his cot, aged 11 months. Darling lime son of James and Laura, belowed brother of Leonora and Rossuma, Funeral private.

Patrick John, known as Pat/Paddy Ex RAF. Ex RMEG. Ex Flour Sandi Arabia. Funeral will bate place at East Sheen Comelexy on November 8th at 12 moon. Enquiries (0555) 321202.

SCHOTHORST - J. Former
Chairman of Star
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Limited and Chief Executive
Officer of Al. UK 1981 1990. Gled suddenly on
Monday November 2nd
1992. Amsterdam, aged 68.
The Executives and all
employees offer their deeper
serments in its family.

SIEVERS - On October 30th, peacefully at home, after a long filmes comragously horne, Arthur Frederick, dearly loved husband of Rene, develed father of Paul and Rosalind and loving grandfather of Cafre, Roy and Tom, Funeral Service private: Thankspring Service of St. Mergeret's Church. Chipsteed. on Thursday November 12th at 3.30 pm. Fandly flowers only. Donations if desired to imperial Cancer Research Fund c/o W.A. Trustove & Son Lid. Funeral Directors. 55 Chipsteed Valley Rosal, Coulsdon, Surrey.

AUTSOM - On November 2nd, suddenty and peacefully at home. Richard (Dick) Molineux, beloved husband of Allson, much loved father of Robert and Charles, brother of Ruth and Geraldine and a friend of many. Funeral Service at Holy Trinity Church, Wonston, on Tussday November 10th at 12 noon, Family 2lowers only. Donations, if desired, to National Astuna Cumpaign c/o Jno. Steel and Son, Chestl House, Winchester.

Funeral private.

MOGRE - On November 3rd, after a short illness, Str. Edward Sumton Moore Bt., O.B.E., aged 81. dearnest husband of Maryarwt. Cremation private. No dewers please. Enquiries to Edward White & Son. Chichester. bel: (0243) 782136. A Service of Thanksgiving will be beld at the Church of St Mary Our Lady. Stdiesham, on Thurnday November 19th at 12 noon.

PRENDERGAST-ARNOLD ON November 2nd, Anthony Bernard Edwin, devoted husband of Elains and only son of Anthony and Heien (Trade) Prendergast-Arnold, Funeral Service at St. Medinias Church, Richmend, at 1 pm. followed by cremation at Mortiale on Tuesday November 10th, Family flowers only but denations to Cancer Relief. Enquiries to T.H. Sandera, bt.: (061) 948-1551.

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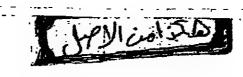
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Orton Chirwa, Malawian barrister, politician and political prisoner, died in prison in Zomba, Malawi, on October 20 aged 73. He was born at Chikwara, 15 miles from Nkhata Bay on Lake Malawi, on January 30, 1919.

**OBITUARIES** 

ORTON Chuwa was Malawi's first barrister, a freedom fighter who was jailed by the British, and a justice minister and attorney general after independence. He was then sacked by the country's ruler, Dr Hastings Banda, and driven into exile, only to be kidnapped and jailed for treason eleven years ago.

One of the many ironies of Orton Chirwa's life was that it should end only two days after the man whose personality cult and ruthless dictatorship he had opposed for so long announced that he was calling a referendum on ending single party

Chirwa had been cruelly treated in prison. Human rights organisations reported that he had been suffering from limited vision, thanks to untreated cataracts, that he was afflicted by heart trouble and by high blood essure. Until recently, they said, he had frequently been manacled naked by his wrists and ankles to an iron bar in solitary confinement.

Another irony was that when the British released him from prison in 1959 he launched, a month later, the Malawi Congress Party, with himself as president, declaring that as soon as Dr Banda was freed from jail he would step aside in his favour. He kept his word, and five days after Dr Banda stepped out of jail he stood down and Dr Banda took over the movement. .





Orton Edgar Chingoli Chirwa was first educated at Kaningina village school which, at the age of four, he walked five miles to and five miles back from every day. At 11 he went to Lubwa Church of Scodand mission. school in Zambia, where his fellow pupils included Kenneth Kaunda and Simon Kapwepwe. In 1934 he returned to Malawi, studying at

Bandawe Mission, Livingstonia, and qualifying as a teacher. To save money to further his education. however, he worked as a clerk at Ndola in Zambia, and by 1943 felt he had sufficient means to go to St Francis College in Marianhill in Natal. He worked as a store clerk. again to save money in Bulawayo, and then in 1947 went to Fort Hare University in South Africa where he the world the next year and on his gained a first class degree in ohilosophy.

He began teaching in 1951 at Domasi Teachers' Training College near Zomba where he complained that he received only two-thirds of the salary of a white teacher. After four years he began to study law and went the next year to Lincoln's Inn. London, teaching in London schools to maintain himself while he studied.

He came to the bar in 1958, and in June of that year returned to Malawi opening an office in Limbe as the first African barrister in the country. His reputation and inclination led him to defend many nationalists in court, until the next year he and his wife were arrested in the round-up that followed the so-called "Massacre Plot" which was said, in a government White Paper, to be a conspiracy to assassinate the governor, leading members of the administration and

other Britons. Chirwa was released in less than six months, because, it was rumoured he could be useful as an intermediary between the British authorities and Dr Banda prior to the break up of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland.

After he stepped down from the presidency of the Congress Party he was at Dr Banda's side as legal adviser in London when self govern-ment was being negotiated. He was reported to have organised the strategy of the Malawian side, down even to the timing of the walk-out at the federal review conference in Decem-

After the 1961 elections he became parliamentary secretary to the justice ministry, and then minister of justice and attorney general. He travelled return set up Malawi's local court

Chirwa and a number of other politicians were already troubled by Dr Banda's autocratic tendencies. He treated his cabinet, another member recorded, as "kitchen boys". Chirwa himself was uncomfortable over the slow pace of Africanisation of key administrative posts, but the break came two months after independence in 1964 over a threepence per head hospital fee imposed by Dr Banda, acting as health minister without consulting any other member of the cabinet. Banda accused Chirwa and two others of being in collusion with the Chinese embassy in Tanzania to bring him down, and sacked them. Three other ministers resigned in protest. Chirwa went first to his constituency on Nkhata Bay, then to Zambia.

In London he described the plot as a figment of Dr Banda's imagination and eventually settled with his wife Vera in Dar es Salaam. Tanzania. He became a university lecturer, she became a state attorney. Between them they founded the Malawi Freedom Movement and campaigned ceaselessly to return democracy to the eight million inhabitants of the country.

In 1981, while in Zambia, the

couple were abducted and taken to Malawi where they were tried by a tribal court with no legal representation allowed. They were sentenced to death for treason. But in 1984, following international protests. the sentence was commuted to life imprisonment. Chirwa's wife survives him, still a prisoner herself. A month ago they were allowed to meet each other for the first time for eight years.

## **APPRECIATIONS**

#### Lord Franks

OBITUARIES of Oliver Franks including your own (October 17) have referred to his coldness, making him sound like Ozymandias. I saw him a good deal in the early days when he was ambassador in Washington and again at the end of his career in the public service when he was vice-chairman of the Prince of Wales's Council in the Duchy of Comwall.

His life and work were governed by reason: but reason told him that, while calculation had to be applied to everything to decide the appropriate course of action, the heart was part of the equation and could not be left out of account. He would often in the

afternoon in the embassy, leave his office and small along the corridor to mine, where he would sit, stretching out his long legs, and, puffing at his pipe, tell me that he was relaxing. It was essential, he explained, to set aside periods of rest during the day. It was, to be sure, not all that relaxing to me to have this formidable figure sitting beside me allowing his mind "to expand" to use a phrase of Ernest Bevin's who was one of Franks's earliest and greatest admirers. But I learnt from these sessions something of breadth and charity Franks's mind.

On one occasion when we were discussing the highly practical problem of how to persuade the members of the Senate to accept the idea that came to be incorporated in the North Atlantic Treaty, Franks suddenly switched subjects



and said: "You know, what the world needs nowadays is more poets." I should have responded by quoting some lines of Keats which would certainly have appealed to him but unfortunately such was the tension within me that I was quite unable to come across with anything.

When, some forty years later, he wished to brief me about the Duchy of Cornwall he did not ask me to go to his office for the purpose. He invited me to lunch - to a good lunch with fine wine. There was nothing austere about his hospitality.

There was something penetratingly human about the insights he gave me concern-ing the problems and personalities involved.

Anything in which he was involved came within the compass of his steely analysis. But this did not mean that he was indifferent to human feelings or cold-hearted in relationships.

Sir Nicholas Henderson

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## MAJOR-GENERAL ALAN MILLS

Major-General Alan Mills, Director General of Artillery, in the Ministry of Defence, 1967-69, died after a long illness on October 22 aged 78. He, was born on March 11. 1914.

ALAN Mills was one of only two officers of his generation to reach the rank of General Officer after being taken prisoner by the Japanese when Hong Kong fell in December 1941. His and his wife's survival through their four years of captivity gave them the greatest synapathy for the predicament of the Falkland Islanders after the Argentine invasion in 1982. He ran the highly successful Falkland Islands Appeal and devoted the last ten years of his life to supporting the islanders'

borough College and the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, before being commissioned into the Royal Artillery in 1934. After three years with the 1st Light Battery in England, he was posted to the 5th Anti Anticraft Briends in Hone Kong In June gade in Hong Kong. In June 1941, he married Elizabeth de Courcy Morgan Richards of the Hong Kong Volunteeer Defence Nursing Service. Just before the Japanese invasion, he was transferred to command the 20th Coast Defence Battery on Stonecutters. Island, which was eventually overrun by the Japanese He was held in Argyll Street (PoW) camp, and his wife was interned with her family at

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proved a great success when it was built after the war. On his return to England, he found that the army required volunteers for training as technical staff officers to handle the increasing sophistication of its weapon systems. He grasped the opportunity to join the Wespons Staff, in which he served with success, specialising in guided weapons, for the rest of his military career. Among other appointments he was Military Direc-tor of Studies at the Royal Military College of Science, Shrivenham, 1958-61, and

Director of Guided Weapons

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He was promoted major general at the beginning of Stanley

A tall good-looking man,

Mills had a marked techno-1967 and appointed Director General of Artillery on the Master General of Ordty, he filled his time designing a 21st sailing cruiser, which nances' staff. During this time he had the satisfaction of

seeing the introduction into service of the new generation of guns and guided weapons on which he had worked for

most of his postwar career. After he retired from the army in 1969, he settled at Seaview on the Isle of Wight and undertook a number of appointments in the sailing world until the invasion of the Falkland Islands in 1982 engaged his sympathy for the islanders' plight. Besides instistanders juight besides insu-gating and running the Falk-land Islands Appeal, which raised £640,000 in its first year, he organised the "No-ah's Ark" operation, buying and shipping animals of all types to replace those lost during the lighting and in the minefields. He also acted as honorary treasurer to the Falklands Island Association until his health began to fail. His daughter died in 1986; his son and wife survive him.

Alfred Beck, kerper of the books of St Brides, Pleet Street, for 66 years, has died aged 89. He was born on October 3, 1902.

> ALFRED Beck had a substantial frame, a fine head, a very considerable intellect and was a familiar Fleet Street figure for nearly 70 years. He was managing clerk at White and Leonard, solicitors of Ludgate Circus. The parish of St Bride was an important client. With its institute, printing library and musical tradition, it was a substantial enterprise, a hub in the daily life of "The

Street". Beck was concerned with it all his working life. principally as the Vestry Clerk, in effect general manager of its business affairs. He was both shrewd and visionary in the management of church monies. In 1951, with St Brides still in ruins after the

## war, it was agreed there

general oversight of the prop-

should be an appeal for re-building. Lord Asior of Hever was the appeal's president, Alfred Beck the financial secretary to the appeal. Beck, a Methodist, had

ALFRED BECK

erty matters of some 200 churches in the London south west district. His father was a grocer in Tooting, who "wholesaled" quarter-pounds of bacon later "retailed" in the deprived streets nearby, "rasher by rasher": his mother was a locally noted singer of gospel and temperance solos, the latter outside pubs on Satur-day nights. A few years ago it was felt appropriate that Beck should became a freeman of the City of London. The sponsors for this non-conformist, total abstainer were his fellow Vestrymen, Sir Col-in Cole, and M. Christopher Mitchell of El Vino's.

#### Petra Kelly

THE Tibetan community feel the loss of Petra Kelly (obituary. October 21) a fellow human being who championed the Tibetan issue.

Petra Kelly while a member of the German parliament, was one of the main architects of a resolution on Tibet in 1987 expressing concern at the violation of human rights in Tibet under Chinese rule. This was the first resolution on Tibet passed by any foreign parliament. In April 1989, Petra Kelly organised, for the

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It is with profound regret that we record the death of Mr Walter, which occurred at 1 o'clock on Saturday afternoon, at Bearwood, his seat in Berkshire . . .

The unique characteristic of Mr Walter's life was his relation to The Times ... The Times may now and again have made mistakes in his day, as it made mistakes before his time, and as it may make mistakes hereafter. But Mr Walter was seldom wrong except when he was wrong with the majority of his countrymen; no unworthy motive ever led him astray: he brought to the decision of public issues a mind of wide grasp and fine culture, a nature predisposed to the pursuit of high and serious purposes, a shrewd judgment, a sensitive conscience, a vast experience, and an integrity as inflexible as it was fearless; and we may confidently appeal to the history of The Times under his management as a measure of his real influence on the affairs of men, and an index of the spirit in which that

That spirit, though it often brought him into difficulties, operated most favourably in its ubimate results. Of this truth a striking enemplication occured in 1810. Towards the latter end of May in that year the presenter

influence was exercised . .

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A whole page distinguished by black column rules paid tribute to John Walter III, grandson of the paper's founder and proprietor since 1847.

insisted upon increased wages. The men then employed in working the Day newspaper came to The Times office in Printing-housesquare, and called upon their brethren to join them in a combination which was illegal, and must at any time have been regarded as unjustifiable. They insisted upon uniform rates of wages throughout all the printing offices, overlooking the fact that the men of The Times enjoyed indulgences as well as opportunities of extra labour and reward which in other quarters were denied. At lirst Mr Walter was disposed to make concessions; but a boy employed at The Times office informed him that a conspiracy had been

organized to abandon his employment under circumstances that would stop the publication of the paper. The complaints of the compositors not only had reference to wages. but to a particular description of type then getting irrouse-the effect of which type, it was alleged, would materially diminish the remuneration for piecework. These unfortunate men bound themselves by a solemn oath that unless the proprietors of The Times acceded to the terms, the combination into which they had emered should be carried out into its fullest effect.

The "strike" took place on a Saturday morning. Mr Walter had only a few hours' notice of this formidable design, and, beset as he was, most men would have submitted to any conditions: but as he despised mediocrity, so he hated compromise. Having collected a few apprentices from half-a-dozen different quarters, and a few inferior workmen anxious to obtain employment on any terms, he determined to set a memorable example of what one man's energy can accomplish. For six-and-thirty hours he himself worked incessantly at case and at press : and on Monday morning, the conspirators saw, to their inexpressible astonishment and dismay. The Times issue from the publisher with the same regularity as ever . . .

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In Governor Clinton, Americans

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passionate belief in the power of

government to improve their lives and assure their children a brighter

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All children have special needs, but

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## THE TIMES TODAY

## NEWS

#### Major fights to save Maastricht

■ John Major yesterday launched his fight to save the Maastricht treaty - and possibly his future as prime minister - with a passionate declaration that Britain must not be left "scowling in frustration" on the fringes of Europe

■ In a noisy Commons debate, marked by savage Liberal Democrat and Labour attacks on each other, the prime minister was supported by Sir Edward Heath, who urged the .....Pages 1-5 dissidents not to endanger the government....

#### Clinton calls for a new beginning

A new era in American politics began yesterday with Bill Clinton, the president-elect, calling for a "new patriotism" and a "Re-United States" in which all Americans work as one. He laid out his vision of a "new beginning" and "a new partnership for a new America" before thousands of ....Pages 1, 12, 14-17 supporters in Little Rock...

#### Parental rescue

People in the housing debt trap could be rescued by their parents under a scheme launched yesterday by the Woolwich building society. Parents would offer their homes as temporary security for a proportion of a new mortgage and the fresh loan would include the debt from the previous house, enabling a move . Page 6

#### Ambulance failure

Britain's biggest ambulance service, covering London, yesterday reverted to full manual control after another failure in its computer system forced senior management to concede it could not cope with the task. Virginia Bottomley, the health secretary, was studying a confidential letter from a computer consultancy which alleges that its warnings of the inadequacy of the system had been ignored ....

#### Cost of courage

A fireman who received bravery awards for fighting the King's Cross fire disaster in 1987, was awarded £147,683 damages in the High Court from London Underground for post traumatic stress disorder. Paul Haie, 44, of Minster, Kent, was described by Mr Justice Otton as "probably the most courageous man I shall ever have the privilege to ... Page 8

#### Treasury caution

The Treasury was yesterday trying to dampen down expectations about the recovery package censorship....

to be announced with the Autumn Statement next week as spending ministers prepared their final defence against spending cuts...

#### Misery trek

A young woman, a victim of ethnic cleansing in Bosnia, locked her village home and carrying her baby and a bag of clothes, walked through the woods for two days to reach the comparative security of a red 

#### Fury on the streets

Within hours of US election Iranians poured onto the streets of Tehran on the 13th anniversary of the takeover of the US embassy shouting "death to America" and a United States citizen was held on spying charges. Page 11

#### Holy hologram

A life-size hologram of Christ in a central London church has split the congregation. According to Donald Reeves, the vicar of St James's, Piccadilly, who is known for his courageous support of the arts, some regard it as "quite powerful" but others find

#### TV pirates

Although satellite dishes are illegal in India, entrepreneurs are rigging up receivers so that villagers can watch foreign programmes without understanding a word but effectively destroying the government's TV ..... Page i 1

#### Threat of trade war as talks fail

Europe and America stepped towards a costly trade war after the failure of long-running talks on farm subsidies triggered an American demand for sanctions against European imports. The two sides were closer to a tariff battle than at any time during the six years that the world's trading states have been trying to write a new Gatt treaty...



Masked message: lecturers wearing John Major masks protesting about cuts yesterday outside the Department of Education. Page 6

Festival.

Clinton fear: American stock and bond prices weakened yesterday over fears of a trade war with Europe and a government spending package which president-elect Mr Bill Clinton proposes to inject into the US economy...... Page 25

Staying on: Robin Leigh-Pemberton, the governor of the Bank of England, resisted calls for his resignation in the Commons yesterday over his handling of the closure of the Bank of Credit and Commerce International which was attacked in the Bingham report two weeks ago ...... Page 27

Markets: Shares eased as dealers responded to a dull opening on Wall Street and awaited the outcome of the Maastricht vote. The FT-SE 100 index closed down 13.9 at 2,691.7. The pound had a mixed day, slipping just over half a cent to \$1.5485 but closing up .72pf at DM2.4350. Pages 25, 28

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Mixed fortunes: Australia, fielding eight of their international side, lost 21-6 to Swansea in their opening rugby union fixture in Wales. South Africa began their tour of England with a 32-9 win over the .... Pages 46, 48 Midlands .... Bid withdrawn: South Africa has

withdrawn its application to hold stage the next cricket World Cup.

Rennante truths: Professor Sir Alan Walters takes issue with Nigel Lawson's version of the Thatcher years and his defence of ERM membership - "a Chancellor of great gifts but fatal conceits". Douglas Jay reviews two books by members of the Benn family, and Norman Stone has a question for .. Page 40

Salism museories: Caroline Moore measures Julian Barnes's fictional account of the trial of a communist dictator against the reality in Bulgaria. John Russell Taylor admires a biography of Monet that leaves the pictures to tell the story of the inner man. Adam Zamoyski reflects on the decline of the continen-.Page 41

#### Cinema: Geoff Brown reviews the new, "politically correct" version of The Last of the Mohicans and Hal Hartley's Simple Men. Pick of the first week of the London Film

Theatre: Benedict Nightingale is disappointed by Peter O'Toole in Keith Waterhouse's Our Song, directed by Ned Sherrin ...... Page 37 Music: Composer Dmitri Shosta-

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kovich had a "secret" relationship with one of his pupils, Galina Ustvolskaya, previously unnamed in biographies.

No change: Cheryl Campbell very good in Michael Attenborough's vigorous revival of The Changeling for the RSC at Stratford...Page 39

#### others. The failure of the education service to cater for its most vulnerable punils - those with learning difficulties, dysiexia, poor sight or other disability - is the most shaming blemish on its record and one

Peace makers: Unhappy couples. can seek help from family mediators to resolve their problems and to avoid acrimony and recrimination after a separation. Mediation is often better for the children caught in the middle and is cheaper than fighting in court.... .... Page 19

Putting men and women in the same wards in hospitals might be good management and help cut waiting lists, but some patients, of all ages, are unhappy about having to share with the opposite sex. Doctors are defending the policy but is it in contravention of the Patients' Charter promise to respect

## BERNARD LEVIN

America"\_

The ghastly black comedy of Christopher Patten's visit to China has colminated in the farce of the "secret letters". And what is the farce? They are fakes. And who has the real ones? Bernard "Scoops"

#### PHILIP HOWARD

That unnecessary and uncomfortable strip of ribbon that Englishmen wear, for the obsolete purpose of keeping one's shirt on, are still potent emblems to exclude, lesser breeds ..... ... Page 20

#### ANTHONY HOWARD

How did it come about that the Democrats should have managed to convince a wide range of American voters that they had genninely turned over a new leaf when that was the achievement that cinded Labour in Britain?..... Page 20

The "turmoil, divisions and distraction" over the ordination of women comes to a head on November 11 with voting at the General Synod: readers air their views ..... Page 21

The vote was a relentless rejection of Mr Bush's Presidency. A White House aide got it abnost precisely right last week when he said: "Basically, things are pretty steady. Shuy percent of the people didn't want to re-elect him nine months ago and 60 percent don't want to elect him — The New York Times today."

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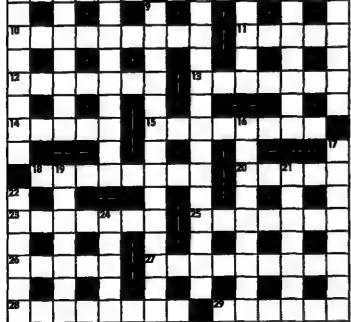


late Sir Norman Hartnell, despite the struggle for the firm's Page 6



Tibetan sacred art that he helped to set up in San Francisco Page 7

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- 4 Iron hook pulled out to get at diamond (8).
- 10 School pecking order rashly dis-closed (4,5).
- 11 College recess (5). 12 Interfere with alarm (7).
- 13 Create the latest style (7). 14 Without standing order petition
- is legal (5).

  15 Sticking together is under-standable (8). 18 Music makers include vintage
- 20 Problem of a hole-in-one in
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- 2 Lack of discipline implied in schoolroom is remarkably typical
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- 5 Incredibly good like the angels (3,2,4,5).
- 6 Restraints in golf clubs (5). 7 Nothing to secure a conviction
- 9 They counted for nothing in ancient Rome (6,8).
- 16 Newtonian thinker (9). 17 A red port drunk by huntsman
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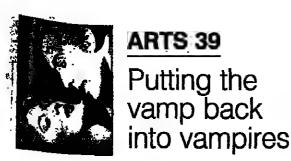
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**GOLF 43** 

Steven Richardson leads England's World Cup drive



**TENNIS 44** 

Sainsbury, which has a food

retailing business in New

England, believes his business

will benefit from the election result. "I think the Clinton

victory will probably lead to a more competent economic

policy which would lead to the

economy coming out of recession more quickly." he said.

Mr Taylor was unworried

by suggestions that the Demo-

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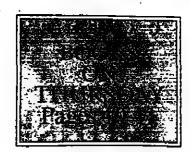
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**Andrew Castle** calls an end to playing days



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Robin Leigh-Pemberton, has rejected calls for his resignation over the Bank of England's role Page 27

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Auditors turned finance directors should take time out before crossing over, writes Robert Bruce Page 35

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# Wall Street cool on Clinton

By PHILIP ROBINSON **ROSS TIEMAN** AND PATRICIA TEHAN

AMERICAN share and bond prices weakened vesterday over fears of a trade war with Europe and a government spending packige that the president-elect, Bill Clinton, proposes to inject into the American

The Dow Jones industrial index staged a 30-point turnround within three hours. From a 14-point early rally it fell to be 15 points down on the day, but by lunchtime recovered to stand 6.23 lower at 3,246.25. The index was ast night about 70 points higher than at the start of the 'Clinton rally," a month ago.

peak this year. Bond prices fell by between 25 cents and 50 cents, nudging market interest rates higher. David Shulman, chief equity strategist with Salomon Brothers, the investment bank, said: "The market's going sideways. I don't think we'll have a big rally. "I'm bullish on Clinton

short term, I think the risks are likely later unless there is a foreign crisis which is the wildcard. There could be an international crisis in Russia or the Middle East and now Gatt. If that blows, then the most important event on Tuesday was the Gatt talks breakdown, not the US

Analysis fear any trade war would choke off a sustained

1985, they say, 40 per cent of US growth has come from exports. Leslie Alperstein, political analyst for County NatWest, the US investment bank, said: "Whether Clinton has to spend a lot or a little in fiscal stimulus depends on the recovery of the economy with-

out his help.

A continuing recovery would calm the bond markets and with the Clinton victory already in the stock market investors will resume their attention on stocks which will benefit from that recovery," Mr Alperstein added.

In London, first reactions to the presidential election were mixed. While the arrival of a new administration in the White House may assist a general North American economic recovery, Mr Clinton will come under strong pressure from his party to finance increased social spending by cutting defence budgets.

But the immense scale of United Kingdom corporate investment in the United States makes many com-panies earnings sensitive to policy shifts by the incoming administration. Imperial Chemical Industries, for example, has operations in 29 American stores.

Martin Taylor, a director of the Hanson conglomerate, welcomed Mr Chinton's victory because it removed uncertainty, adding: "If Mr Bush had got back in we might have

een just as happy." David Sainsbury, chairman

and a big cement manufactur-er in California.

Another winner should be Evered Bardon, the building materials company, which has about half its business in

America Mr Clinton's proposals knock \$60 billion off the Bush defence budget will provoke alarm in some companies. however. One analyst said that Smiths Industries has a high exposure to the US defence

department.
Rolls-Royce, the aero-engine maker, is also exposed to the proposed defence cuts, as is British Aerospace. However, BAe's contract to supply Goshawk training jets to the US Navy is likely to be secure as the navy has decided to standardise on them. Drug

already, are largely resigned to

a tougher pricing regime.
A spokesman for Wellcome said: "We believe that either Bush or Clinton coming in would lead to continued review of pharmaceutical companies." But Mr Clinton, as a

Democrat, was likely to be the more stringent of the two. Wellcome believes it will be less affected than other companies more reliant on older or generic drugs because of its intensive research program-me. "He's not given any indication that he would do anything other than support companies whose primary polky is the introduction of new

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Brussels ready to retaliate

# Fears of trade war rise after Gatt sanctions impasse

BY TOM WALKER AND COUN NARBROUGH

FRESH fears of a trade war emerged last night after a disagreement between the US and the ruling council of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

The Gatt ruling council, meeting in Geneva, falled to agree on Washington's request to be allowed to impose sanctions on the EC. The European Commission earlier said there was little prospect of transatiantic trade war over ollseeds, such as rape and linseed, a dispute that falls outside the scope of the stalled Uruguay round.

A Gatt spokesman said the next opportunity for the American and EC trade envoys to take up the oilseeds issues within the Gatt framework would be in the first week of December, "Any unilateral action in the meantime would be clearly in breach of Gatt

rules," he said. Frans Andriessen, the EC's external relations commissioner, confirmed that Brusseis was preparing to retaliate if Washington imposes import tariffs of 100 per cent on \$1 billion worth of EC farm produce. "If we have to counter-retaliate, of course we will do it in proportion, but not disproportionately." the Dutch official said.

Mr Andriessen said he was

very surprised by comments made by Rufus Yerxa, the US ambassador to the Gatt in Geneva, earlier in the day. Mr Yerxa had referred to the manifest unwillingness of the EC" to abide by multilateral Gatt rules. In Washington, US trade officials said the tariffs on EC goods would be applied, but would only come into effect in 30 days time. Despite the worries of consumer and business groups. Mr Andriessen said the trade war would not spiral out of control. "As far as consumers are concerned I don't see the problem," he said. The Dutch commissioner reluctanly conceded that, for the moment at least, the negotiations to secure a new world trade agreement under Gatt are blocked by the dispute between Washington and Brussels over oilseeds production.

He complained that even though the Community wants oilseeds to be considered separately to Gatt itself, it has offered to cut production significantly, only to see its every effort rejected by the Edward n, me American i culture secretary. It was this obstinacy, he said, that had again led to a breakdown in talks in Chicago on Tuesday night, while the world's attention was focused on the presidential election results.

Mr Andriessen refused to write off all hopes of a Gatt deal this year, but said the next move is up to the Americans. We have tried to reach the reasonable requirements of our American friends," he said. "We are prepared to continue to negotiate; any constructive proposal from their side will be used by us. We remain fully convinced

interests of all of us." Never one of the commission's more dynamic performers in public, Mr Andriessen was not prepared to say why

that a successful conclusion of

the Uruguay round is in the



the oilseeds negotiations had broken down, but the best hope for Brussels now is clearly to get oilseeds off the Gatt agenda somehow. That way the Gatt negotiations can be freed from the transatiantic grip they find themselves in at the moment, and the US and the EC can get down to resolving their many disputes. Oilseeds would be added to

a list that includes steel, financial services, aircraft industry trade issues in general, Mr Andriessen said he doubted that President Clinton's tune would be any different to President Bush's. "During the election campaign, Mr Clinton has made some demands on trade. I have drawn from these the conclusion that the US will continue with the line that it has taken over the last few years," he said.

Perhaps the most damaging of these disputes will be in the steel sector, where Washington is threatening to put counterveiling and anti-dumping duties on imports of flat steel from the EC. It will reach a preliminary decision at the end of the month; Eurofer, which groups the EC's main steel producers, claims that 2.5 million tonnes, or 1 billion ecus' worth, of EC steel will be affected. British firms hit will include both British Steel and United Engi-

neering Steels. In financial services, Sir Leon Brittan, competition commissioner, is looking for reciprocal access for EC institutions in the US market along the lines of the reforms he has pushed through in the Community for the 1993 barrier-free market. Commission officials in-volved in all these trade dis-

putes yesterday doubted that Mr Clinton's inauguration will make any real difference. Many noted that Washington had deemed the EC to be in breach of US trade laws, and Mr Clinton was unlikely to



No sign of victory: one of the Maxwell pensioners who joined yesterday's rally to the House of Commons

## Maxwell pensioners **lobby Parliament**

By Angela Mackay

pensioners and print workers obbied Parliament yesterday calling for government action to give them long-term pen-

sion security. Pensioners of Maxwell Communication and private Maxwell company schemes complained on the eve of the first anniversary of Robert Maxwell's death that they still did not know how long their pensions would be paid. Ken Trench, chairman of the Maxwell Pensioners Action Group, said the government should take over the legal battle to reclaim millions of pounds that the late publisher Robert Maxwell plundered from pen-

sion funds. A government emergency fund is paying some pension-ers but the £2.5 million fund is expected to be exhausted by March. The Maxwell Pensioners Trust, chaired by Sir

MORE than 1,000 Maxwell John Cuckney, is also making some ex-gratia payments from the £6 million raised so far. Pensioners of Mirror Group Newspapers have had their pensions confirmed by the company, which is replenish-

ing the fund over 14 years. Representatives of British International Helicopters, however, served a writ against Charles Wilson, group managing director of MGN, demanding the return of £12 million in cash and interest allegedly removed from their pension fund by Mr Maxwell. Peter Lilley, social security secretary, said the government had taken "substantial measures" to help the pensioners. But he added: "No govern-ment could accept an obliga-

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tion to use taxpayers' money to

make good all losses resulting

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## Fears of US tax crackdown subside

By Jon Ashworth

FEARS of a big tax crackdown on British subsidiaries in America in the wake of Bill Clinton's victory appear to have been overplayed. However, steps to tighten up the existing tax regime will lead to higher taxes and British companies, which represent half of all foreign investment in

America, are urged to prepare. During campaigning, Mr Clinton said he would raise \$45 billion in additional tax revenue from foreign companies between 1993 and 1996 to combat the budget deficit. But accountants say the threat of punitive new taxes appears remote. Jeff Wehner, senior tax manager at Arthur Andersen, said: "I don't think British

button just yet." John Fairley, partner in charge of Ernst & Young's international tax group, said it was "highly unlikely" that Mr Clinton will be able to raise the \$45 billion, but businessmen should plan ahead.

Alan Reid, senior tax partner at KPMG Peat Marwick, said the drive towards tougher taxes could take three fronts. First is a clampdown on transfer pricing under which companies endeavour to cut taxes payable in America by manufacturing outside in low tax economies and selling into the US market at a high price. The goods are then sold by American subsidiaries at low margins that

attract minimal payation. Second is a clampdown on "thin capitalisation" under which foreign companies should press the panic companies finance their US investments on a typical ratio of three parts
debt to one part equity and take a US
Revenue will be taking particular
interest to make sure that there is no debt to one part equity and take a US tax deduction on the interest. Third, foreign companies may be

obliged to pay capital gains tax on the disposal of shares in their US subsidiaries. "This would be particularly bad news for the British," Mr Reid said. "Under existing tax treaties, Britain and Australia are the only two countries which would have no relief if

Terry Symons, a tax partner at Price Waterhouse, gives more weight to the issue of transfer pricing. "It is more important than ever for UK companies to be sure that they have got their transfer prices right. Not only will companies face the prospect of huge US tax bills and penalties for getting it wrong, but the UK Inland

loss of UK tax."

from fraud."

Mark Ruchleff, a US international tax specialist with Coopers & Lybrand, said: "Clinton has said he will seek more vigorous enforcement of current law by recruiting more people." Stephen McMellon, a specialist in

cross-border taxation at Robson Rhodes, said: "Our advice (to British companies) is don't let it put you off acquiring a US business on commercial grounds, but be aware that you are facing a much harsher regulatory environment with big penalties for non-compliance."

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# Sainsbury still beats counter attractions

FOOD retailing analysts are sometimes hard to please. Another set of faultess figures ahead of most forecasts from J Sainsbury, still the clear market leader, sent the share price into an 18p reverse to 487p.

Sainsbury is the victim of its own success, in stock market terms at least. Since spring, when the company first outstripped Marks and Spencer as Britain's most profitable retailer, the shares have climbed from below £4 to a new high, just before the interim figures, of 510p.

Against a background of

Against a background of recession, Sainsbury's food stores pushed like-for-like sales growth up 3.7 per cent, well ahead of a price inflation rate of 3 per cent. The equivalent sales increase in the larger outlets of more than 250,000 sq ft was 8 per cent. Market share increased faster than that of arch-rival Tesco and there was no sign of the effects of aggressive discounting that were a feature of that company's half-way figures in September.

ngures in september.

Shaw's, the New England operation, continues to underperform — not surprising since the recession in New England has accounted for 30 per cent of US job losses.

per cent of US job losses.

After reporting half-way pre-tax profits ahead 19 per cent to £391.1 million, David Sainsbury, the new chairman, was cautious over prospects

for the rest of the year, which will have to compete with a one-off boost last time from the advent of Sunday trading and the acceptance of credit cards. This, and a higher tax charge that will restrict earnings growth, has discouraged the analysts, even though Nick Bubb at Morgan Stanley, for example, is raising his pre-tax estimate for the year by £7 million to £735 million. This puts the shares on 17 times' this year's earnings, and some switching into Argyll, on 14 times', or Tesco, on 11 times', is likely short-term. Outside that, the shares remain a core holding.

#### **BAT Industries**

ONCE again Sir Patrick Sheehy has been happy to report that BAT Industries' profits have gone up in puffs of smoke. For the results for the nine months to end-september confirm that, for now, it is tobacco that is fuelling BAT's remarkable remaissance.

In a supposedly mature market, tobacco has posted a 16 per cent increase in trading profits to a record £805 million, where it accounts for almost two-thirds of the £1.2 billion group trading profit. The improvement is apparently across the board, with exports to the Far East and Eastern Europe rising 25 per cent to account for one-fifth of



Improved outlook: Sir Patrick Sheeky of BAT sees a brighter future in America

total volumes and Brown & Williamson, in the United States, putting on volume, turnover and profit despite a recession-led shift

But if tobacco is the good news for today, financial services looks on course to provide the gloss for tomorrow.

True, provisions on domestic mortgage indemnity business written by Eagle Star are still running at £25 million a quarter, but the general underwriting performance is improving fast. Eagle Star's pre-

tax losses were cut from £248 million to £66 million, enabling more tobacco profits to be set against advance corporation tax and cutting the tax rate on pre-tax profits of £1.027 billion from 53.9 per cent to 42.5 per cent. In America, Farmers Group pointed the way to what Sir Patrick is convinced is a brighter future, with an 18 per cent increase in trading profits to £305 million.

With pre-tax profits up 56 per cent and carraings per share up 105 per cent to

35.9p, expectations for BAT are, to say the least, high. Forecasts for this year are edging over £1.6 billion, with £2 billion plus possible the year after. At 914p and despite a price-carnings multiple approaching 16, the shares are not out of puff yet.

#### **TDG**

THE management at Transport Development Group will be relieved to close the book on a misjudged American adventure. The sale of Willig

Freight Lines in California may have blown a hole in the balance sheet but at least it will allow the group to concentrate on developing in Britain and Europe. They might be less pleased if they paused to consider the foil

On paper, it appears that TDG has walked away from Willig with barely a scatch. The group paid \$14.5 million in 1981 and is selling for \$17.3 million. The £15 million extraordinary provision already taken takes account of additional investment, the rise in asset prices and recent losses. Willig was never large enough to compete on a national scale and TDG showed no appetite to expand.

The main damage TDG

suffered from its starry-eyed westward expansion was a oss of momentum at home. In 1983, the group made a profit of £21 million pre-tax, compared with only £12 million from NFC, its main rival. Since then, while TDG has been occupied with troubles elsewhere, NFC has developed new markets and exploited higher margin transportation business. This year, NFC is expected to make £90 million, while TDG should bring in just £36 million. Even this may be optimistic and makes the forward earnings multiple of

15 look generous.

# Consortium extends deadline for ITN offer

THE consortium bidding to take over ITN has extended the deadline for its offer for the television news company after last-minute negotiations failed to produce agreement. The bidders, led by Carlton Communications, originally set a deadline of 3pm yesterday for their conditional offer, which would involve taking a majority stake in ITN in return for a £30 million cash injection.

The investor group agreed to extend the offer period until November 18 to allow possible amendments to the offer to be explored. Negotiations have stalled because existing ITN shareholders such as Thames, Granada and Yorkshire are unhappy with the consortium's offer of £1 a share.

### Burnfield shares slump

SHARES in Burnfield, the specialist engineering group, numbled 80p to 85p on a warning that profits for the year to end-December will be below market expectations. A substantial decline in order levels in September at two of Burnfield's three businesses has forced directors to revise their forecast of rising profits in the second half. The board intends to recommend an unchanged dividend of 4.1p a share, subject to unforeseen circumstances.

## Burmah completes sale

BURMAH Castrol has completed the disposal of the noncore businesses of Foseco, the speciality chemicals business acquired for £270 million in late 1990, raising more than £60 million. Burmah yesterday amounced the sale of Celmac, a manufacturer of toilet seats, to management for £3 million. Agreement has also been reached for the sale of Foseco's investment in Carbontudum Universal, a manufacturer of ceramics and grinding wheels, for £2.7 million.

### Securicor in Russia

RUSSIA'S move towards a market economy has prompted Securicor to launch a joint venture security company in St Petersburg. Securicor Okhrana St Petersburg has been set up with four Russian partners and the British subsidiary of a Furrish bank. Securicor has a 32 per cent interest in the venture. The Russian company will transport cash and valuable goods, guard warehouses and monitor burgiar alarms.

#### Low & Bonar closure

LOW & BONAR, the packaging and plastics group, is cutting 32 jobs with the closure of a factory in Dundee. Production of non-woven materials business will be concentrated in America. The loss-making Bonar Carelle factory, which makes fabrics, is to shut at the end of the year at a cost of about £4.5 million. Bonar Inc. the Canadian subsidiary, reported a fall in net income for the nine months to August 29 from C\$4.95 million to C\$3.06 million.

### German jobs gloom

DEEPENING gloom over the west German economy pushed up unemployment in October for the first time in eight years and the underlying jobs trend is again downward. Heinrich Franke, head of the federal labour office, said. Seasonally adjusted figures took the jobless rate in west Germany to 6 per cent from 5.8 per cent in September. Eastern German unemployment fell, but only thanks to official work achemes.

### Bid for Ansbacher

FIRST National Bank, the leading South African bank, has launched a long-awaited £60 million agreed bid for Henry Ansbacher, the small City merchant bank, First National is buying a 73 per cent stake in the bank from Pargesa, the European investment group, and Wafra Intervest, the Ruwaiti-controlled investment group, at 30.5p a share. But Ansbacher's board has won a better price for the minority shareholders, who are being offered 32p a share.

#### Union says TSB plans staff cuts

BY OUR CITY STAPE

TSB, the banking group, is to axe 440 jobs, many by compulsory redundancy, according to the Banking, Insurance and Finance Union.

The cuts will hit 80 senior managers, 150 branch managers, 120 computer staff and 90 clerical staff and could take effect before Christmas, union representatives said.

The branch manager jobs are said to be going as part of a reorganisation which Bifu believes will lead to more job losses. Jennifer Cole, Bifu negotiating officer, said: "These job cuts are totally indefensible and will also damage customer service."

"Surplus staff are being

identified as unwanted and told that if redeployment is not possible within 28 days they could then be sacked just before Christmas." Staff will hold meetings over

the next few weeks to decide

how to respond to the plan.

# 4,000 jobs as sales fall

Volvo to cut

EN STOCKHOLY

ALMOST 4,000 jobs are to go at Volvo, which is cutting costs in the face of a sharp decline in demand for cars and trucks.

More than 1,600 jobs are to go with the closure of assembly

More than 1,600 jobs are to go with the closure of assembly lines at Uddevalla and Kalmar. Volvo will concentrate production at its Torslanda plant.

Lennart Jeansson, managing director, said: "The decision feels heavy and sad, not
least because the employees
have done an excellent job in
making the company competitive, but we cannot make more
cars than we sell and measures
are necessary to secure the
continued survival of Volvo
Car Corporation."

Volvo's truck division is also cutting the number of bine-collar workers by 1,040 and the number of white-collar workers by 940. At end of 1991 Volvo employed a total of 43,600 people in Sweden.

# Japanese trade surplus rises 25% to record

FROM REUTER IN TOKYO

JAPAN'S trade surplus hit a record high of \$13.58 billion in September, up 25.1 per cent from \$10.85 billion a year earlier.

year earlier.

The finance ministry said the current account of the balance of payments scored the second-biggest surplus.—\$12.05 billion — in September, after March this year. Exports climbed to \$30.821 billion from \$26.958 billion a year ago, while imports edged up to \$17.244 billion from \$16.106 billion.

"This is going to be a new ball game for the Japanese now that the Democrats are in power." said Paul SummerFleming Securities. "The surplus is going to be near the top of Clinton's trade agenda."

The bilateral gap between Japan and America had been fairly steady but now appears set to grow about 20 per cent.

some economists say

Despite years of hard bargaining under two Republican administrations, Japan's 1992 current account surplus with the world appears likely to exceed \$100 billion, surpassing the record \$87 billion in 1987. Japan's unadjusted trade balance for the first half of this year showed the surplus widening to \$66.27 billion from a revised \$51.10 billion a year ago.



# BAT INDUSTRIES

Earnings per share up 105% in nine months

Nine months unaudited results to 30 September 1992

to 30 September 199

REVENUE £14,457m +3%

PRE-TAX PROFIT £1,027m +56%

EARNINGS PER SHARE 35.9p +105%

- Record nine months tobacco profit of £805 million, up 16 per cent.
   Export volumes 25 per cent higher.
- Financial services trading profit of £376 million; continued recovery at Eagle Star and further progress at Farmers.
- "I expect the 9 per cent dividend increase achieved at the half year to be at least maintained for the year as a whole."

The full quarterly report is being posted to shareholders and copies are available from the Company Secretary. B.A.T

Sir Patrick Sheehy, Chairman

PROFESSOR Stephen Lit-

dechild, the electricity regula-tor, has absolved himself of all

responsibility over the future

of the British coal mining

industry in his evidence to the

backbench trade and industry

select committee, which is

examining the government's

pit closure programme. Professor Littlechild, direc-

tor general of the Office of

Electricity Regulation, came

in for criticism from MPs at

the hearing yesterday for his

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defined his role as protector of

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in the long-term, considering

Asked whether, as a regula-

tor, he had a responsibility not

just to the consumer, but to the

electricity industry as a whole,

he said he sympathised with

TEN coal-fired power stations

will shut and a further 3,000

jobs will be lost if British Coal's plans to close 31 pits are not reversed, an electricity indus-try union leader said.

Cliff Dawber, chief power

industry negotiator for the

AEEU engineering and elec-

trical union, named ten plants.

which his shop stewards

list already face partial shot-down under capacity reduc-tions announced by National Power and PowerGen, Brit-ain's two big generating com-

But the union claimed that

two other PowerGen stations,

including the more modern

Kingsnorth plant in Kent, could also be hit.

ficer for the electricity supply

industry, said large coastal plants such as Kingsnorth,

which can readily use import-

ed coal, were also threatened.

He suggested that the genera-tors would be obliged by the

coal purchase contract they are now negotiating with British

Coal to concentrate generation

ROBIN Leigh-Pemberton.

the governor of the Bank of

Dougle Rooney, AEEU of-

future price controls.

Power regulator

fire from MPs

events in the coal industry and was mindful of the possibility

his comments as "a cop our".

was for the electricity com-panies "to take account of the

at their inland plants closest to

coal mines in order to to

minimise transport costs.

National Power has already

made public its intention to close 4,000 to 5,000 mega-

watts of generating capacity

over the next three years. A spokesman said: "We have not identified either the timing or

the plants that may face future closure." A PowerGen spokes

"no further plans to close

The three PowerGen plants

on the AEEU list are Castle

Donington, Leicestershire (al-

ready set for closure next

March), High Marnham,

Nottinghamshire, and

The National Power plants

are Willington A and B in

Leicestershire, Aberthaw A

and Uskmouth in south

Wales, Rugeley A in Stafford-shire, Skelton Grange in the

North east and Agecroft in the

With the exception of Kingsnorth a 2,000 mega-

watt station commissioned in

Governor resists resignations

1970, all the plants are 30 or

more years old.

stations at present".

Kingsnorth, Kent.

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Union claims ten

stations will close

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

believe will close. closure." A PowerGen spokes-Eight power stations on the man said his company had

Professor Littlechild said it

Decisions on the long-term future of

coal mines lie with the trade secretary and

regulator, argues Prof Stephen Littlechild

British Coal and not the electricity industry

comes under

Court action

on phantom

withdrawals

By SARA McConnell

BANKS and building societ-

ies could face court action by

up to 250,000 people who are

in dispute with their banks

over "phantom" withdrawals

J Keith Park, the Merseyside solicitor, is to issue a

summons of direction on Fri-

day, which should result in a

hearing in about three weeks'

It will ask the court to order

banks and building societies

to write to all their customers

telling them of the impending

court action and asking them

to join with the proposed court

action if they have had prob-lems with disputed cash

At the moment, people can

only make a claim for breach

of confidence or negligence within six years, but J Keith

Park is hoping to get this extended to ten years in this

The solicitor is already act-

ing on behalf of 400 people who are disputing cashpoint withdrawals but says an order

to banks to communicate with all their customers could bring

Nick Davis, solicitor at J

Keith Park, said: "This is the only way to find out how many

people are affected." He add-

ed: The more people in-

volved, the cheaper it will be.

We are trying to keep up pressure on the banks. In the

past no cases have gone to

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England, resisted calls for his resignation in the House of Commons yesterday over the Bank's handling of the closure of the Bank of Credit and Commerce International, which was attacked in the official Bingham report two

weeks ago.

Mr Leigh-Pemberton said that while the report was critical of the Bank, it did not completely condemn it. "I feel that far from resigning it is better to accept the implications and recommendations of the report and strengthen our approach rather than weaken it by forcing the resignation of our senior officers," he said. "I do not think the report

shows the sort of failure that requires ministerial or official resignation," he added. He was giving evidence to the select committee

BY NEIL BENNETT, BANKING CORRESPONDENT The committee is expected to call on the government and the Bank to offer full companaction to BCCI depositors.

> chairman, accused the governor of avoiding questions. "I have never heard such stunningly complacent evidence in my life," he said. Mr Leigh-Pembergo's defiant stand came as 93 MPs signed an early day motion calling for his resignation. "For him to continue to cling to his posftion leaves him with neither credibility nor honour," it said. The motion was led by Callum MacDonald, the Labour MP for the Western Isles, whose local council lost heavily in BCCI's collarise and is now

calling for compensation. Mr Leigh-Pemberton ad-

hi the Bank over BCCI, but denied that the Bank had been lax in its supervision. "I have great regret that an enormous amount of money published before Christmas. should be lost, but I cannot After the meeting Giles accept absolute responsibility Radice MP, the committee's for all the Bank in a supervisory regime. Banking is risky and there will be mistakes," he

> One of the 18 BCCI executives held in custody in Abu Dhabi has died of heart failure. Ariumand Naqvi, 50, was rushed from the detention centre to hospital on Monday night Mr Nagyi was an international officer in the chief executive's office and was also said to be the account officer for the Faisal Islamic Bank. The bank, codenamed Tumbleweed in Price Waterhouse's report which led to BCCI's closure, was the main source of unrecorded deposits which BCCI used to conceal

power from coal generators. However, he did say that it was important to look at the future consequences of what the companies were doing. "It is in the commercial interest of

effects of their decisions" to

buy gas-fired power instead of

of pit closures, but it was his job to see that electricity customers were adequately protected and to ensure the most effective electricity production. Responsibility for decisions on the long-term future of the all the companies to look coal industry lay with the trade ahead," he said, adding that secretary and British Coal, he coal mines in Britain should be given "a fair chance to Cranley Onslow, Conservacompete" and should not be "disadvantaged by situations elsewhere in the industry". tive MP for Woking, described

There have been suggestions that some regional com-panies have signed long-term contracts with independent gas generators even though prices are higher than they would pay for coal-fired power, planning to pass on the higher cost to their customers. Professor Littlechild disputed suggestions that he should examine every contract signed by the regional companies. "It

the responsibility of the regional companies to purchase their electricity economically and it is my job to make sure that they are doing it." he said. "It is not possible to see whether a company has purchased economically by looking at a to look at the whole strategy to look at the whole strategy that the company has adopted."

Dr Michael Clark, Conservative MP for Rochford and former chairman of the now defined enterty select controls.

defunct energy select commit-tee, was critical of Professor Littlechild for not moving more quickly to examine the regional electricity companies power buying contracts.

Professor Littlechild said that although the companies were permitted to pass on a large part of the price they pay to the consumer, "they know I intend to tighten up that control. They know that if they have not purchased economically they will not be able to expect to pass on the additional costs to customers". He said he could force them to refund the customer if they violated the price condition.



## HK Land to boost stake in Trafalgar with option

BY OUR BANKING

scheme to help increase its stake in Trafalgar House, the engineering and construction group, to almost 30 per cent.

The company has written a call option, which allows it to buy up to 36 million Trafalgar shares — 5.2 per cent.— by February 3. It has also written a put option, allowing an unnamed counter-party to sell it up to 67 million shares in the next six months.

The option scheme follows the failure of HK Land's tender offer for 15 per cent of Trafalgar. The group has reetedly said it wants to increase its stake in Trafalgar to 29 per cent but cannot pay more than 85p a share under

to buy more shares in the market since any report that it was bidding would have sent the price above 85p. If it succeeds in exercising its call option, its stake will top 20 per cent and

The deal means the options counter-party will be able to buy shares quietly before selfing them to HK Land. The group yesterday refused to reveal the identity of the other party or the conditions in the contracts. Trafalgar's shares fell 1p to 83p despite the possibility that a buyer may soon be in the market.

CORRESPONDENT

HONGKONG Land has launched a novel share option

stock exchange rules covering the tender offer. Until now, however, the company found it impossible

allow the group to equity account Trafalgar's profits.

The operation is also free since the price of the first call option has been cancelled out by a fee the group has earned from writing the put option.

## Sheehy supports Pru stand on regulation

By MATTHEW BOND

STR Patrick Sheehy, chairman of BAT Industries, the con-giomerate that owns the Eagle Star and Allied Dunbar insurance businesses, has supported calls for self-regulation of the financial services industry to be scrapped and replaced by a system of more direct government control.

Sir Patrick's comments followed those of Mick Newmarch, chief executive of Pro-dential Assurance. "We rather agree with the diagnosis of Mick Newmarch," Sir Patrick said. "Self-regulation has not really worked. It is extremely expensive and does not seem to catch the people who are more likely to not play the game. We believe a more statutory approach could be relevant" Sir Patrick said BAT's views had been put to the Bank of England a year ago. Sir Patrick also unveiled

whole". Trading profits from tobacco rose 16 per cent to £805 million, while financial services contributed £376 million £142 million).

provisions to £261 million. Although Eagle Star's general underwriting performance improved significantly,

building societies."

## Sainsbury beats recession with £391m BY MARTIN WALLER, DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

J SAINSBURY, Britain's biggest grocer and most profit-able retailer, turned in another recession-beating perfor-mance for the 28 weeks to September 26, sending pre-tax profits ahead from £327.5 million to £391.1 million and increasing the interim dividend by 0.3p to 2.7p a share.

David Sainsbury, the chairman and chief executive of the business since Monday, said the figures should be seen against a background of a harsh economic climate in Britain and America and food inflation at its lowest level for five years.

Sales: growth from the group's food stores and Savacentre hypermarkets was

12.8 per cent, 9.1 percentage points provided by new stores. Numbers into the stores were ahead by 8.5 per cent to a weekly total of 8 million customers, and market share had risen by 0.8 percentage points to 11 per cent, its largest increase for more than ten years.

Sunday shopping had helped to increase sales, with more than a million customers a week, although it was only marginally profitable,

The average spend increased marginally, suggesting that customers were not cutting back on their purchases in the recession, Mr

Sainsbury said. "People are not trading down, but they are not trading up as fast," he conceded. Gross margins at the food stores and Savacentre, already the envy of the food retailing industry, were enhanced further, up from 7.5 per cent to

Sainsbury shares reacted with an 18p fall to 487p as investors took profits after their strong run this summer, although the figures were ahead of City expectations.

7.9 per cent.

The group continues to struggle with Shaw's, its American operation, where operating profits were 16.5 per cent lower at \$21.4 million. Mr Sainsbury said there was no intention to exit the American market. "We think

there are very large opportunities in America for an operation like Shaw's. We're certainly going to hang onto it and develop it — we remain very confident."

The pre-tax profits rise for the group as a whole came despite a fall in capitalised interest of almost £8 million. Even though capital invest-ment totalled £384 million, set to rise to £800 million for the full year, Sainsbury saw a net cash inflow in the first half of E53 million and, despite this rising rate of spending, gearing should remain at about 18 per cent by the year end, Mr Sainsbury said.

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pre-tax profits up 56 per cent to £1.027 billion for the nine months to end-September and a doubling in carnings per share. No dividend is paid with the third-quarter results, but Sir Patrick said the 9 per

cent increase in the interim dividend would be "at least maintained for the year as a

> Eagle Star continues to be hit by claims against domestic mortgage indemnity policies held by building societies as part protection against defaults on high percentage loans. Third-quarter provisions of £29 million take total

Sir Patrick said it was far from certain when the mortgage indemnity provisioning would stop. Although the number of repossessions is falling, he was concerned that an increase in the number of homeowners more than six months in arrears indicated that the problem had not gone away. We are in the hands of the

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RENEWED fears of a price or market share war among the food retailing giants prompted a bout of indigestion for the

Among the losers, Argyil Group, the Safeway super-market operator, fell 10p to 350p, Kwik Save 4p to 719p. Morrison 2p to 142p and Tesco 12p to 2232p. Shares in J Sainsbury slid

18p to 487p, despite the group consolidating its pos-tion as Britain's leading supermarket chain by unveiling a healthy 19.4 per cent advance in first-half profits to £391 million and a hike in the interim dividend. The shares were depressed by profit tak-ing and a line of 8 million shares overhanging the

Paul Smiddy, at Kleinwort Benson, said: "The pricing environment has been relatively tight for the last few months. There is no doubt that November and December will also be tough - but the industry will not be cutting its own throat." Meanwhile, Bill Clinton's

landslide victory in the US presidential poll received a muted response as investors in London concentrated on matters closer to home.

There was nervousness ahead of last night's crucial House of Commons debate on

**GOVERNMENT** securities

showed little reaction to Bill Clinton's landslide victory in

the American election as the

ment next week," said Simon

Briscoe, senior economist at

Greenwell Montagu.

At the longer end, interest was poor, with most people

not wanting to become involv-ed before last night's crucial Maastricht debate. The long

gilt future fell five ticks to

£10010/sa, on very thin volume

The shorter end was also

quiet, with base rates still

expected to fall. Conversion

10 per cent 1996 firmed one

tick to £10931/32, while Con-

version 9 per cent 2000 fell

five ticks to £1073/32 among

medium-dated securities. At

the longer end, Treasury 84 per cent 2017 lost eight ticks

of 16,000 contracts.

result had been discounted. The market is on hold, waiting for the autumn stateMaastricht which did little to encourage investors in the collapse of the Gatt talks prompted renewed fears of a trade war.

A negative start on Wall Street did not help sentiment in London and shares drifted lower after some selling pressure. The FT-SE 100 index fell 13.9 to 2.691.7 while volume only reached 506.7 million shares.
Some of the stocks with

large American interests, which had risen on hopes that Mr Clinton will promote growth and stimulate the ailing economy, suffered a bout of early profit taking. Among those affected, ICI lost 20p to £10.40. Grand Metropolitan 3p to 415p and Cookson 1p to

Among other US oriented stocks, buying by American investors helped Renters add 31p to £12.21, while Cable and Wireless advanced 1 lp to 644p as BZW upgraded its profit forecast on the back of benefits from a stronger

BZW raised it current year forecast by £30 million to £775 million, with next year's estimate increased by £60 million to £920 million. BZW has its average dollar/sterling exchange rate forecast to 1.70 for this year,

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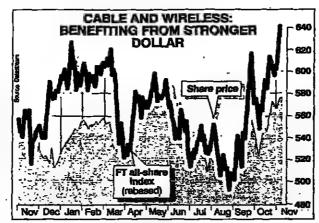
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from 1.80, and to 1.55 for next year, against 1.70 previously. BZW says continuing dollar strength will benefit C&W, which gets some 70 per cent of earnings from dollarrelated currencies, especially

with an extra boost from market suggestions that Lamictal, the anti-epilepsy drug, may get early approval in the United States. On worries that pharmaceutical stocks may be hit by post-

NIKKO'S latest pharmaceutical quarterly recommends buying Glaxo and Wellcome, and advises taking profits on Reckitt & Colman (13p lower at 637p), Smith & Nephew (12p down to 153p) and SmithKime Beecham (A shares same at 540p).

from Hong Kong. Each cent move in the dollar is worth about & to & million to C&W's profits. Among cautious drug

election changes in the United States, Andrew Porter, at Nikko, the Japanese securities house, said: "Clinton's policies have been known for a considerable period of time. The shares, Wellcome stood out with a 25p advance to £10.18, pharmaceutical industry is an

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excellent example of self-regu-lation. It has already anticipated the Clinton victory and has restricted price increases over the last year."

Record profits from international cigarette sales and a dramatic recovery at Eagle Star insurance helped third quarter profits at BAT Industries surge ahead, while re-ports of a Warburg upgrade also helped shares in the tobacco to financial services conglomerate climb 8p to

An anticipated increase in oil production by the Iraqis and uncertainty about pos-sible increased production by Opec countries has prompted Kleinwort Benson to lower its 1993 crude oil price forecast by \$1 to \$21 a barrel. News that BP is selling its mining operations in Australia was greeted unenthusiastically and the shares fell 9p to 223p. Shell was also weaker, down 13p to 527p, depressed by reports of bearish noises on the oil sector from Société Générale Strauss Turnbull

A trading warning follow ing a "substantial" decline in order levels at Burnfield prompted broker downgradings and sent shares in the specialist enginering company crashing by 78p to 87p. As far as the insurance sector is concerned, any tight-

to have more of an impact on the likes of Prudential, down 6p to 26912p, and General Accident, up 8p to 551p. Elsewhere in the sector, Royal Insurance firmed 2p to 229p, with renewed talk that a takeover may be in the background.

The latest bid favourite was APV. 9p firmer at 98p on turnover of 5.8 million shares. with Siebe, up 1p to 350p, named as a possible bidder.

There were also whispers that MB Caradon, down 3p to 268p, may be lining up a bid for building materials group Hepworth, 1p easier at 253p.

Next. which has had a good run recently, was unchanged at 1182p despite positive

noises emerging from recent analysts' meetings with the retailer. Julie Ramshaw, at Morgan Stanley, has raised her current year pre-tax profits forecast from £28 million to £30.5 million. British Airways eased 3p to

288p despite an 8.9 per cent rise in October's scheduled revenue passenger kilometres. with the best growth from intercontinental travel, up 11 per cent, although the increase was concentrated among economy passengers.

PHILIP PANGALOS

## **Economic troubles** push Dow lower

shares were lower in latemorning activity as the Dow Jones industrial average fell 7.83 point to 3,244.65. Dealers said investors had already absorbed the presidential win by Bill Clinton, the Arkansas governor, and again focused on economic woes and earnings results.

One leading trader, citing corporate earnings reports. said: "People were expecting a Climton victory and the market is going back to reality."

Declining shares were outpacing advancing shares by seven to five.

☐ Tokyo — Shares ended firmer, with the 225-share Nikkei average closing up 211.84 points, or 1.26 per cent, at 17,065.20. The estimated turnover was 140 million shares. Technical futures-linked

buying pulled up prices at the close, but sentiment remained stagnant over poor corporate results and a lack of new factors. Bill Clinton's win in the American election was expected and had no effect.

One brokerage trader said: "A new US president isn't going to directly affect the Tokyo stock market right away. The best we can hope for is that Wall Street takes this chance to set a new direction, and that Tokyo can tag

☐ Hong Kong — Bill Clinton's election win ignited a buying spree on the market even though most investors would have preferred George

Bush as president. The Hang Seng index surged 127.93 points to end

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per cent and near the record high of 6,329 set on October

Investors applanded President Bush's consistent opposition to restraints on US trade with china, but the index mared back from an 80-point drop late in the morning when it became obvious Mr Clinton would win.

Eugene Law, head of re-search at DBS Securities, said: The most important thing is that there are a lot of people out there who want to buy. And now one of the major uncertainties in the market is

☐ Singapore — Share prices managed a mild recovery as investors hold the view the local market has more gains in store, brokers said.

The Straits Times industrial index rose 15.59 points to 1,421.46 on volume of 183.22 million shares, against 156.67 million on Tuesday. Advancing shares led falling shares by almost three to one. One broker said: "There are

enough people wanting the market to keep rising, I won't be surprised if the index tries 1.500." in the shares of industrial

giant Daimler-Benz led the whole market sharply downward in late trade. The DAX index ended at a two-and-a-half week low of

1,472.69, 12.31 points down from Tuesday's close. The only impact from Bill Climon's US election victory was felt in the pre-bourse, when the dollar's early losses put extra pressure

## National planning strategy would save £2bn, says CBI

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

BRITAIN needs a national land-use scheme to cut plan-ning delays and save business an estimated £2.1 billion a year in unnecessary costs, according to a joint study by the Confederation of British Industry and the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. Further pressure will be add-

ed tomorrow when the Royal Town Planning Institute, after a separate inquiry, will call for a national planning framework backed by a regional tier of decision-making.

The publication of two re-

ports, highlighting what the CBI described as a "policy vacuum" at government level, will embarrass Michael Howard, the environment secretary. But Mr Howard will have a chance to respond to addresses the annual conference of the employers' organis-

ation in Harrogate next week. In its study, carried out by a 21-strong team drawn from industry, the professions, and local authorities, the CBI planning task force acknowledged good reasons for the many checks and balances in the planning system, which "works well much of the time".

particularly at the local level. However, the task force. under Ian Prosser, Bass chairman and chief executive, found strategic decisions, especially over infrastructure. were often dogged by years of unnecessary delays.

"In the absence of a national lead, many significant applications are being left for local decisions in a policy vacuum, when they should be set in the context of a clear, natlonal policy," Mr Prosser said. We are putting the cart before the horse. We use inquir-

ies and appeals to make decis-

ions in a climate of frustration. contention and uncertainty," Edward Wilkinson, a member of the task force and group services director of Leigh Interests, the waste management group, said the absence of a clear national strategy was

inhibiting the ability of his industry to modernise and so improve the treatment of Britain's industrial waste. The report estimates the annual cost to companies of planning delays affecting their own factories, shops, warehouses and offices at about 5600 million. In addition, planning hold-ups to the im-

provement of Britain's infra-

structure added another £1.5

billion a year to industry's costs, the CBI said. The CBI recommends the on of a neid planning policy paper every year by the departments of environment, trade and industry, transport and agriculture, to identify priorities and form part of a five-year framework for land-use allocation. The task force also calls upon business to be more active in the planning process, and for



Prosser: policy vacuum

## Vauxhall opens £190m plant as sales soar

By Kevin Eason, motoring correspondent VAUXHALL yesterday un-

veiled the result of a £190 million investment to create one of the most advanced engine manufacturing plants in Europe. Despite the parlous state of its parent, General Motors, Vauxhall is booming. The new engine plant at Ellesmere Port, on Merseyside, is the latest evidence of

production lines to capacity even in the recession. The new car market is down 2.5 per cent this year, but Vaux-hall sales rose by 9,008 in the first nine months, giving the company a record market share of 16.67 per cent. Vauxhall had to compete

the rapid growth of Vauxhall, which has been able to run its

against GM plants on the Continent, particularly Germany, for the investment. The strong improvement in quality and performance at Ellesmere Port swung the investment decision in Britain's favour. Vauxhall's role as an exporter will be underpinned by the new engine facility on Merseyside. The plant will make 135,000 V6 high-perfor-

mance engines to power Vauxhall Cavaliers in Britain

and Opel Vectras abroad, with most supplies going to the

At full capacity, 450 people will be employed at the plant, which also makes Astra cars. It celebrates its 30th year in production this month. The 37,000-square metre

engine facility was inaugurated yesterday by Louis Hughes. GM's European president.
He said: "This is an important new engine for our company in Europe and what you see today is a credit to everyone involved with this project."

GM's technical development centre in Russelsheim, Germany, designed and de-veloped the engine plant over the past four years. It created the technology to build the ECOTEC-V6, a lightweight engine, which the company claims, will be more fuel efficient and 25 per cent quieter than its predecessors. Each member of the manufacturing team will complete 125,000 hours' training at college and on the job, to

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## Trade skirmish or trade war

veryone struggling with the British recession knows how vital confidence is in speeding recovery. If Bill Clinton can, by mood and metoric, inject confidence back into the American economy, his mere election could bring a greater benefit to his mere election could bring a greater benefit to the world economy than any detailed examination of his policies might suggest. The trouble is that some of those policies could have the opposite effect, most notably in boosting the existing tide towards protectionism and hence shrinking the volume of international trade.

Most of the Clinton fair trade salvos are inevitably launched against Japan, by virtue of its huge bilateral surplus with America. The critical existing dispute is with the European Community. The oilseed affair is a key to a successful conclusion of the Gatt trade talks, because it symbolises the issue of agricultural production and export subsidies. Anyone who has seen Britain's landscape splattered with fields of yellow- and blue-flowered oil crops that never seemed worthwhile for farmers to grow before, might suspect America has a just cause and the EC does not have a

leg to stand on. They would be right.

If this separate issue is not resolved, there will be no Gatt agreement and a trade war, or a series of traderestricting measures, is inevitable. Given the refusal of the EC to accept Gatt rulings, cutting through the impasse must involve brinkmanship that itself threatens to spark the very trade war that would scupper world recovery. Here, the changeover period at the White House could be highly convenient. If President Bush imposed sanctions as soon as possible without a Gatt consensus, Mr Clinton would be in a strong position to strike a deal that would gracefully remove them. The critical question would be whether the EC council of ministers agreed to retaliate. identifying America as a trade enemy, or declined to do so, putting pressure on France to accept a reasonable Gait deal on EC farm export subsidies.

America has stuck by the rules so far. Unless a quick breakthrough is achieved, however, Mr Clinton will find it hard to resist plenteous calls for protection or retaliation from American interest groups. To make matters worse, Mr Clinton's own plan to tax foreign corporations more heavily will either have to be beefed up in ways highly damaging to British interests, or it will leave a hole in his budget calculations. That could most easily be filled by trade levies. In the oilseed dispute, therefore, Britain's interest is clearly identified with America rather than with the stand of the European Commission.

## Blinkered

tephen Littlechild's evidence to the trade and industry select committee was depressing, if not wholly surprising. The electricity regulator made clear that the future of indigenous coal supplies was nothing to do with him. On that thinking, it would hardly matter if uneconomic gas-fired power contracts or insecure imports closed the mines, as long as they did not hurt the consumer. Professor Littlechild takes competition as his watchword. Cutting the dominance of National Power and PowerGen, which use the coal, would therefore be deemed in consumers' long-term interest.

The fallacies in such arguments are now apparent. however, merely reflect his brief. If that is the case, the power industry needs a regulator with a long-term perspective on energy resources, just as the water industry is controlled by the National Rivers Authority as well as, and sometimes in tension with, Ofwat, its financial regulator. Meanwhile, Professor Littlechild should not ape Whitehall by contracting out policy research to firms with past or present commercial connections to the regulated. . .

# Maxwell scandal persuades City watchdogs to add bite to bark

Even before the tycoon's death a year ago, the

self-regulation system was looking shaky. Now it is being turned inside out, says Jon Ashworth

ven before Robert Maxwell's death a year ago today, the cracks had begun to appear in the regulation of investment business. The collapse of Barlow Clowes, in May 1988, cut-off thousands of elderly investors from their source of income; these were the very people the Financial Services Act was supposed to protect.
The failure of Dunsdale Securities, in
June 1990, called the monitoring
role of the City watchdogs into
question. The Act was testering on
the bring.

It took Robert Maxwell to push it over the edge. A year after his death, the regulatory rulebook is being rewritten and plans for the merger of two more self-regulatory organ-isations are well advanced. Nowhere isations are well advanced. Nowhere is the change clearer than at the investment Management Regulatory Organisation (Imro), the regulator of pension funds and fund managers. If the system worked, Imro should have been able to stop Maxwell from plundering more than 1400 willing from his negation funds. £400 million from his pension funds.

The body seemed to be leading the drive towards tougher regulation when the scandal broke. In May 1991, in its first public actions, four Hill Samuel investment companies were fined a total of £100,000 for 13 breaches of rules and Mercury Asset Management was fined £50,000 for not complying with the rules on client bank accounts. In November, days after Maxwell's death, Invesco MIM was fined £75,000 for ten breaches of rules in its administration of personal equity plans. But the tide of popular opinion was about to turn.

Rumours began to circulate that Imro had reviewed the records of Bishopsgate Investment Management weeks before Maxwell's death and found nothing wrong. In a report prepared for the Securities and Investments Board (SIB), Imro admitted that it had failed to set up proper risk assessment procedures to identify "problem cases", but went on to criticise Coopers & Lybrand, auditor to most of the Maxwell companies, for failing to warn regulators of impending trouble.

The crunch came in June, when George Nissen resigned as Imro's chairman amid growing criticism of the regulator's role in policing Max-Charies pension money. ert Fleming, has stepped in as acting chairman until a replacement can be

Soon after Mr Nissen resigned, the SIB published a report condemning Imro's role in the Maxwell affair and said it had considered closing it down. But despite Imro's obvious failure as a regulator of the Maxwell funds, the board said it could continue as pension funds monitor as



Heavy responsibility: Imro's failure to stop Robert Maxwell's £400 million pension fraud forced a rethink

long as its function was strengthened.
John Morgan, Imro's chief executive, said steps to strengthen the regula-tory function were under way. "We looked at our handling of the Maxwell matter deeply and with deep concern. We said, yes, there were shortcomings, and we've been working hard to rectify those in the last six months or so."

Imro is recruiting staff with a broad background in regulation and has created a "watch team" to look for potential breaches. "We have changed the pattern of our organis-ation," Mr Morgan said. "We have a bigger team and closer regulation. There is work yet to be done and a number of projects yet to be imple-

Imro is working closely with the field of financial regulation. Andrew committed the board to action on three fronts to tighten regulation after the scandal. "We have to look at how to improve the system we have without throwing out the parts that are good," he said, when the SIB published its report on Imro in July.

Just six weeks after Maxwell's death, MPs attacked the SIB's role in tackling the scandals of the Maxwell pension fraud and bogus trading at the London Putures and Options Exchange. The Commons trade and industry committee suggested that the SIB had perhaps been "lackadaisical" and expressed alarm when told that the board had first learned of the irregularities at Bishopsgate Investment Management as late as Nov-

Norman Lamont, Chancellor of the Exchequer, said the government was "determined that all the lessons of the Maxwell affair must be learned and implemented". Mr Large is independently reviewing the SIB's

n March, as public outrage over the plight of the Maxwell pensioners mounted, the idea of a single watchdog for private investment was put forward. A report for the SIB by Sir Kenneth Chicas, a trade department, suggested a selfregulatory organisation to cover the business regulated by the Financial Intermediaries, Managers and Brokers Regulatory Association (Fimbra) and the Life Assurance and Unit Trust Regulatory Organisation (Lautro). The new organisation would also embrace business conducted with private investors by members of Imro and some clients of

the Securities and Futures Authority. If all goes to plan, the so-called Personal Investment Authority (PIA) will be inaugurated in July 1993, but divisions among the interest groups it hopes to represent will not be overcome easily. Life companies, banks and building societies are all threatening to boycott it.

Lautro has been baring its teeth with greater ferocity this year. Its annual report, published in Octobershowed a big increase in investor complaints, mostly about over-seiling and unsuitable products. These rose from 1,332 to 1,999. The regulator has stirred into action this year and suspended a member for the first time and fined several. The suspension of Oaklife Assurance, based in Rickmansworth, Herifordshire, related to its sales practices. Lautro had issued only four public

In July, Scottish Widows was required to carry out an examination of all policies sold by its fled agents over the past four years. In August, 13 life assurance companies were told to withdraw advertising relating to single premium with-profits bonds. Last month, Cannon Assurance was fined £50,000 and ordered to pay substantial costs after admitting three charges of misconduct, and

was checking policies sold by its tied agents. This week, London & Manchester Assurance was fined E80,000 for rule breaches involving 18 of its appointed representative firms. More cases are going through Lautro's disciplinary process than ever before.

The Securities and Putures Authority (SFA), created out of the merger. in April 1991, of The Securities Association and the Association of Futures Brokers and Dealers, had already made a name for itself as one of the foughest regulators by the time

In its first four months, fines of £350,000 were imposed. In October, the two top executives of the London Futures and Options Exchange resigned after an investigation by the authority. The same month, Bell Lawrie White, Scotland's largest stockbroker, was fined £75,000 for breaches of rules.

Christopher Sharples, the SFA's chairman, said in July that revelations about City firms' connections with the theft of more than £400 million from the Maxwell pension funds had brought the entire regulatory structure into question.

t emerged that the SFA was considering disciplinary proceedings against four members named in a writ issued by MGN pension trustees in connection with the disappearance of £88 million from the MGN pension scheme. The four are Capel-Cure Myers, Lehman America and Crédit Suisse

Mr Sharples was critical of expensive legal proceedings such as the Blue Arrow trial, which cost £40 million. He said disciplinary powers under the Financial Services Act were more expeditious than criminal trials. The SFA has the power to impose

Four months on, Mr Sharples is confident that the authority is head-ing in the right direction. "We are at something of a crossroads, with the SIB conducting a thorough review of their own role and the future of the PIA yet to be determined. However, I am not expecting any changes as far as the SFA is concerned and the firms that we regulate, largely dealing in the wholesale markets, would not welcome any upheaval, either.

"Aside from our routine monitor ing activites, we continue to seek better ways of dealing with major fraud cases, to push ahead with the information-sharing database between regulators, to press for a separate compensation scheme for SFA members, to have better co-operation with the auditors of member firms and generally to strike the right balance between being an effective regulator and yet not stifling the City's success as a financial

Fines and reprimands are a visible sign that regulators have been taking their roles seriously in the year since Maxwell's death. Cynics who suspect instances of "window dressing" to make it seem as if the regulators are capable of more than they promise are awaiting Mr Large's review with

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#### Hitting back at Conran

"YOU have to be joking," exclaimed Michael Julien, one-time chief executive of Storehouse, when he read Sir Terence Conran's claim in this column last week that Ikea, the Dutch owned furniture superstores group, had offered to buy Habitat once before: that Julien had objected and that the price on offer then was considerably higher. "You do not seriously think he would have suggested selling Habitat while he was chairman?" says Julien. "He is trying to rewrite history." Julien's ver-sion of events is that he and Conran jointly declined likea's offer in 1989. "We were defending the concept." No sum was actually offered, he said. "I did mention a price. starting high, and they were very sniffy." Both sides agreed that should Storehouse's position change, Ikea would be the first to know. Julien, 55. insists, however, that he harbours no bad feelings towards Conran. "Whenever I bump into him I am very polite to him," he says. Julien, now helping to run Uniform Clothing & Equipment Company, a family firm making uniforms based in Clerkenwell, adds that he would like something else to do. "I am looking for something, but it will only be part-time," he says.

Maxwell cocktails

A GROUP of up to 20 corporate financiers, employed in a subsidiary of Maxwell Communication Corporation, last night marked the first anniversary of their former boss's



death by dining in the Covent Garden restaurant called Maxwell's and then moving on to a boat on the Thames for drinks. Dameon Priestley, assistant manager of Maxwell's, revealed that two large parties had booked tables in the restaurant. I don't mind what they celebrate provided they spend a lot of money and have some fun," he says.

In the bag IT MAY have taken a year but Niall Ferris, a former market maker in European equities at Paribas Capital Markets, has found an ingenious way of striking back at the City. Fer-ris. 30, who joined Paribas from Smith New Court and left in a round of blood-letting almost a year ago to the day, has teamed up with an old school chum. James Hayward, to launch a packaged version of the party game tra-ditionally played at dinner parties after several glasses of port. The game. Who's in the Bag?, has been accepted by Harrods, Hamleys and other

big London stores. "It's a sort

of verbal pictionary," says Hayward, 29, who once worked in insolvency at Price Waterhouse. "You pick names out of a bag and people have to guess who you're pretending to be." A few thousand sets of the £24.95 game, dubbed the next Trivial Pursuit", have already been sold, and nearly 200 have found their way into the City. Buyers have included a number of Ferris's former colleagues at Paribas. It is, one might argue, the least they could do

Shell club chums

THE Shell Centre near Waterloo station was the venue yesterday for a masonic-style meeting of one of Britain's least-known dans as it gathered for its twice-yearly luncheon. Members include Sir Bob Reid, former Shell chairman now heading British Rail, Paul Spicer, Tiny Rowland's right-hand man at Lon-rho. David Bruce, finance director of Guinness Mahon. three Lords, several knights, and past heads of both County NatWest (Howard MacDonald) and Hawker Siddeley (Sir Peter Baxendell). All are ex-Shell, now with various other City connections, and meet under the ausoices of the Shell Citymen's Club. According to Bernard Coe, a former club chairman, there is in fact a directory of 300 members and it is extensively used. "We don't exactly roll up our trousers, but Shell has a pretty good vetting procedure to begin with. which means they can be trusted to have certain standards of integrity." he says enig-

CAROL LEONARD

#### **Building societies should help out**

From Mr L.S. Cockerham

Sir, I am amazed that the Bradford & Bingley should try to adopt the Mr Clean image with their plan to sublet reposremed houses.

My daughter and son-inlaw are victims of the mortgage trap, with a London flat now valued at £10,000 less than their B&B mortgage. Because of changes in work patterns, they have been forced to move away from the area, but, for the 10,000 reasons mentioned above. they have had no choice but to sublet their property until hopefully, prices pick up to somewhere approaching their original levels.

Although the income from subletting will by no means cover the mortgage payments, does the friendly Bradford & Bingley help them in any way! No. Seeing an opportunity for even greater grasping, they are now insisting that an extra I per cent interest is paid on the mortgage while the property is sublet. Having ripped them off at

the outset by insisting on an excessive premium for the mortgage, since it was greater than some multiple of their joint income, they are now charging this young couple even more. I should add that despite terrible financial difficulties over the past two years, my daughter and her husband have not walked away from their debts, as many others did. Moreover, all payments have been made in full and on time - but often with great difficulty.

There must be many like them. Isn't it about time the B&B (and presumably other building societies do the same thing), helped rather than exploited their financially reli-

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#### Quality sacrificed Worrying trend in customer service

From Mr Richard Williams Sir, I have some observations on the moans of the retail and construction industries carried

in your columns recently.
On visiting six new flats I noticed all the electrical equipment in the kitchens was of continental manufacture and one property developer was driving a Mercedes four-wheel drive. I could also see daylight down the side of doublegiazed windows.

From the above I can only conclude that with tighter margins, quality is being sacri-ficed and builders should understand that by putting British workers on the dole they worsen the housing marhet. However, all this could be caused by the dead hand of accountants controlling bad. management - the bain of British industry for years.

Yours faithfully. RICHARD WILLIAMS, 93 Jackson Road. Bromley, Kent.

#### Federal Express still active in Europe

From Mr Richard Metzler

Sir, Contrary to the impres sion which may have been given to readers by your articles -- "Taking on the big brown wolf" and "Small fry pick at big fish" — (October 23), Federal Express is still very active in the European courier and express delivery

Earlier this year we decided to restructure our European operations to focus on our core activities in the inter-continental freight and courier market. Our objective then, as it is

now, is to provide the fastest and most efficient service on an inter-continental basis. We firmly believe that we offer the fastest and most

#### No second chances

reliable service from Europe to From Mr Brian Warnes Sir, Anatole Kaletsky has effectively been the only commentator (apart from the rare exception like Tim Congdon) to be consistently right about the UK economy. So much so, Federal Express employs a he has actually been instrumental in getting the correct policies adopted (November 2). Far from being pleased, he, like others, will be very angry at the destruction wrought on businesses, individuals and the UK economy - wholly unnecessarily. This time it has to be got right. There are no second chances....

Yours faithfully, BRIAN WARNES, Managing Director. Business Dynamics Ltd. 13 Blackheath Village, SE3.

#### From Mr Richard Varey

Sir, I believe I am a typical consumer, and that I have identified a worrying trend in my own experience of buying prod-ucts and services in the UK.

We are led to believe by the growing volume of academic and business literatum that outstanding service quality is the major viable source of competitive advantage for the future. Further, many organisations are now incorporating statements about their "commitment to customer service" and other grand phrases in their marketing communications.

But I observe in my everyday encounters with suppliers a rather telling situation in which those who spout about their service quality are least likely to deliver, whilst the organisations truly making strides towards "delighting the customer" can be recognised, not by grand statements but by their actions.

I for one am getting tired of hearing about how marvellous the service will be, and how important I, the customer, am (post-purchase there is rarely evidence of either). I just want promises to be realistic, kept and treated with respect. Excellent service quality re-

quires a widespread acceptance that serving others is honourable and satisfying, and that it requires us all to stop being so selfish and shortsighted in our lives. RICHARD J VAREY.

Lecturer in Marketing, Sheffield Business School.

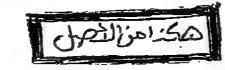
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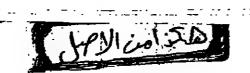


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# German slowdown puts brakes on Mercedes

the sharp slowdown in the German economy has finally caught up with Mercedes-Benz, Germany's most prestigious car maker, which announced earlier this week the introduction of short-time working for employees in its commercial vehicles sector. The company said it will consider next year whether to extend this to the production of private cars.

News of cutbacks at Mercedes are yet another indication that the industry, one of the mainstays of the German economy, is headed ers judge to be one of the severest in its history.

On Monday, Daimler-Benz, Mercedes parent, announced the suspension of plans to build a new truck factory at Ahrensdorf in east Germany. The plant was planned as "the most modern truck producer in Europe". and its loss is a severe blow to hopes of revitalising the east's economy.

Mercedes' production of private cars has dropped from 578,000 last year to an estimated 530,000 this year. The latest news from the company comes on top of a string of depressing developAnatol Lieven reports from Bonn how the prestige ed co-operation, Walter Riester, the chief of the metalcar maker has been forced into short-time working

including 5,000 jobs lost at Volkswagen and the first ever annual losses at Porsche.

The federal state of Baden-Wurttemberg, home of Daimler-Benz and heart of the German car industry, announced this week that it will try to revive this embattled sector with a classic west German package of state and private measures. Some 240,000 people are employed in the industry in the state. This week, the IFO economics institute, in Munich, predicted that German motor vehicle production will fall by 7 per cent next year. Fears have been expressed

that this German industry may now be structurally uncompetitive compared to its main rivals, above all because of the very high cost of labour, which the German unions now wish extend to the east. It has been estimated that German cars are on average DM700 more expensive to make even than their equiva-lents made in Britain.

The IG Metall union has announced that it is ready in

principle to accept a tempo-rary freeze in real wages in west Germany, but this is unlikely to be enough: Louis Hughes, the former chief of Opel, the German subsidiary of General Motors, has declared that if Germany wishes to remain "world class" in this field, it will have to reduce the number of its car workers by around half by the 450,000 jobs. Even if these

losses were managed by re-

training and early retirement.

it would still be a severe blow

to Baden-Württemberg.

ercedes cut its staff by 10,000 this year. has announced a drastic rement. Daimler Benz now has some 100,000 unsold cars in stock, and has admitted its "S-Car" programme has been a costly failure. However, it has strongly denied a report in Der Spiegel of drastically reduced returns this year. Porsche this week an-

1991-2, and has cut 1,850 staff after world sales dropped from 26,486 to 23,069. Further losses are expected and there are rumours of a takeover by VW.

Baden-Württemberg has

responded to this gloomy

picture by drawing up a joint plan, together with industry managers and the trades unions, for state-backed improvements in research and development and in the supply of parts. The state government is to provide DM15 billion. Werner Niefer, Mercedes' chairman, has called for suppliers to change over to providing whole sys-terus rather than individual parts. Local union leaders have spoken of the need for early agreement on restructuring wages with the em-ployers. Whether Germany will be able to master the kind of restructuring now apparently needed, on top of the west's massive transfers of capital to the east, is however

In another sign of attempt-

workers union in south west Germany, said vesterday at a rade union conference in Stuttgart that he saw a "wave of short-time work" in the car industry as imminent

Herr Riester said that the union would accept this if it were necessary to save jobs. Matthias Kleinert, a spokesman for Daimler Benz, told the conference that such a move was possible. Mercedes announced last week that the Christmas holidays would be prolonged until January 8 for 127,000 workers.

Herr Riester called for a guided reconstruction of the car industry, involving the development of environmentally-friendly electrical vehides and the shifting of employment towards the re-cycling of motor-vehicles and other metal and electrical goods. He welcomed recent steps to encourage this by the try. Mr Kleinert agreed, pointing to the attempts al-ready made to incorporate stronger environmental staninto Daimler's new model, to be introduced next summer, and moves by Daimler to develop re-cycling plants in east Germany.



Gear change: Werner Niefer, Mercedes' chairman

## Retailers offered ray of hope

By MARTIN WALLER

A RARE ray of light in the gloomy retail scene is discerned by Verdict Research. The specialist consultant says consumers have become more willing to purchase since the upheavals of Black Wednesday in September.

Verdict tracks its own index of consumer purchasing intentions, asking consumers which articles they plan to buy over the next six months. The first survey since Britain's exit from the ERM and consequent falls in interest rates hows October's figure ahead of September's, after a downward trend over the summer.

But Verdict says the uplift may merely represent seasonal trends as consumers' thoughts turn to Christmas, given that October's index of 116, although up from 107 in September, is still below the June

figure of 123. There is no good news from the housing market, where the index remains unchanged, but some encouragement for retailers of cars, brown goods such as stereos and clothes. Verdict believes sustainable recovery will not emerge until

way into next year.

## Japanese banks diversify in bid to meet BIS ratio

FROM REUTER IN TOKYO

JAPANESE banks operating internationally are becoming less dependent on unrealised profits in shareholdings, due to diversified instruments to raise capital, a senior finance ministry official said.

"It is necessary for banks to establish a structure in which they do not depend much on stock price fluctuations fin meeting international capital standards)," Atsushi Takahashi, deputy director-general of the ministry's banking bureau, said.

"They (banks) are reducing the dependence and they should continue to do so to provide necessary funds to cope with the growing econo-

my," he told a seminar.
At the end of September, Japan's 90 banks operating internationally posted an average 8.7 per cent capital adequacy ratio, up from an average 8.3 per cent at the end of the ministry nounced last week.

Under the guidelines set by the Bank for International Settlements. Japanese banks with overseas offices are required to achieve a minimum 8.0 per cent of capital against risk assets by March 31, 1993. Capital is divided into core capital, which includes banks' ordinary shares, and sup-plementary capital, including 45 per cent of the unrealised profit on shareholdings.

According to preliminary data, total capital at the 90

banks was 53.9 trillion yen (£284 billion) at end-September, up from Y52.38 trillion six months earlier. Unrealised profit on securities holdings accounted for Y8.6 trillion of the capital at end-September, down from Y9.9 trillion.

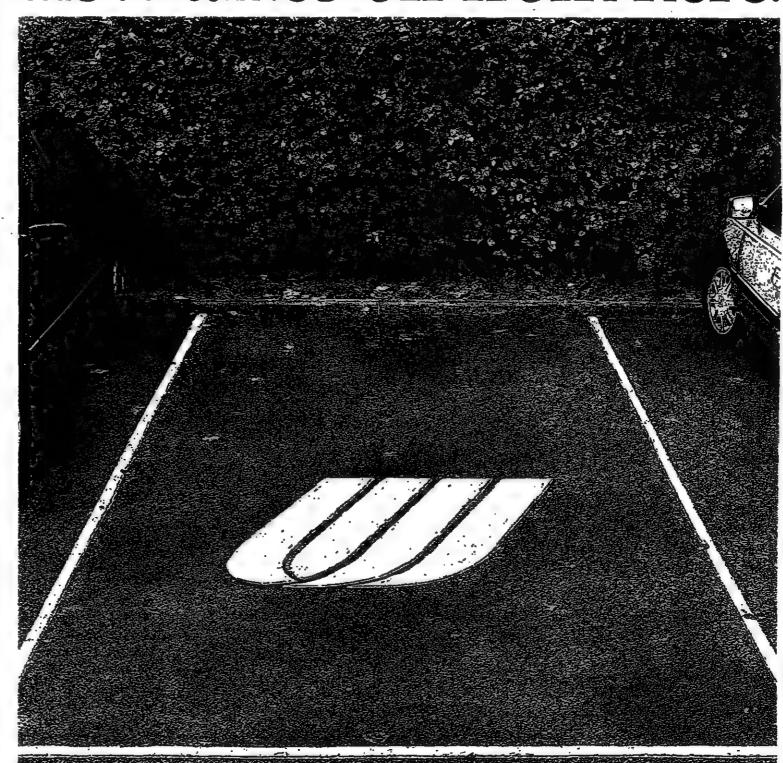
Mr Takahashi said the decline in unrealised profits was due to lower share prices but was offset by banks' efforts to increase supplementary capital through other financial instruments. The 90 banks took on subordinated loans and other financial instruments such as perpetual sub-ordinated bonds worth Y2.7 trillion in April-September 1992, he said.

Risk-weighted assets at the 90 banks totalled Y618.4 trillion at end-September, against Y628.1 trillion at end-March, because of a drop in foreign-currency denominated assets from Y165.4 trillion six months ago to Y149 lion at end-September.

The finance ministry planned to encourage banks to step up corporate loan sales by allowing them to introduce a new way to sell small corporate loans through trust accounts.

Under the scheme, banks group small corporate loan facilities and sell these loanbacked securities to insurers. which conclude trust contracts with trust banks. These then sell certificates of interest in the loan-backed securities to

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## sale to Minorco

By Martin Barrow

BP agrees \$456m

BRITISH Petroleum has agreed to sell its interest in the Olympic Dam mine project in South Australia to Minorco, the natural resources com-pany, for almost US\$456 mil-

The agreement includes BP's 49 per cent working interest and loans advanced to Western Mining Corporation. which owns a 51 per cent interest and manages the

project.
Western Mining has preemptive rights in respect of
Minorco's offer for the working interest and has 90 days from the serving of a formal notice by BP in which to elect to take up its rights.

The consideration com-prises \$240 million in respect of BP's working interest and \$215 million in respect of loans advanced by BP.

Minorco will also assume an obligation to fund Western Mining's share of future project capital expenditures.



Olympic Dam is part of BP's remaining portfolio of mining interests excluded from the £2.4 billion sale of BP Minerals to RTZ in 1989.

1975 and developed at a cost of A\$750 million, contains one of the world's largest copper, uranium, gold and silver deposits.

At the end of June, it had underground proven reserves of 37 million tonnes. In the year to end-June, it produced 62,000 tonnes of refined copper and 1,370 tonnes of uranium oxide, 22,850 ounces of gold and 467,200 ounces of silver.

An A\$60 million expansion project has been completed at Olympic Dam to increase copper producing capacity by more than 40 per cent to 65,000 tonnes a year.

☐ BP may give news of further disposals today when the company announces its financial results for the third

Analysts expect a decline in net income from £156 million to about £65 million on a historic cost basis, reflecting lower earnings from explora-tion and production as a result of the weak dollar for most of the quarter.

Gearing is estimated to have risen from 82 per cent at the end of the second quarter to about 93 per cent. This has increased pressure on the new management, under the chairman, Lord Ashburton, to reduce borrowings through disposals and control of work-

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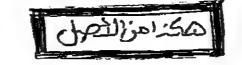
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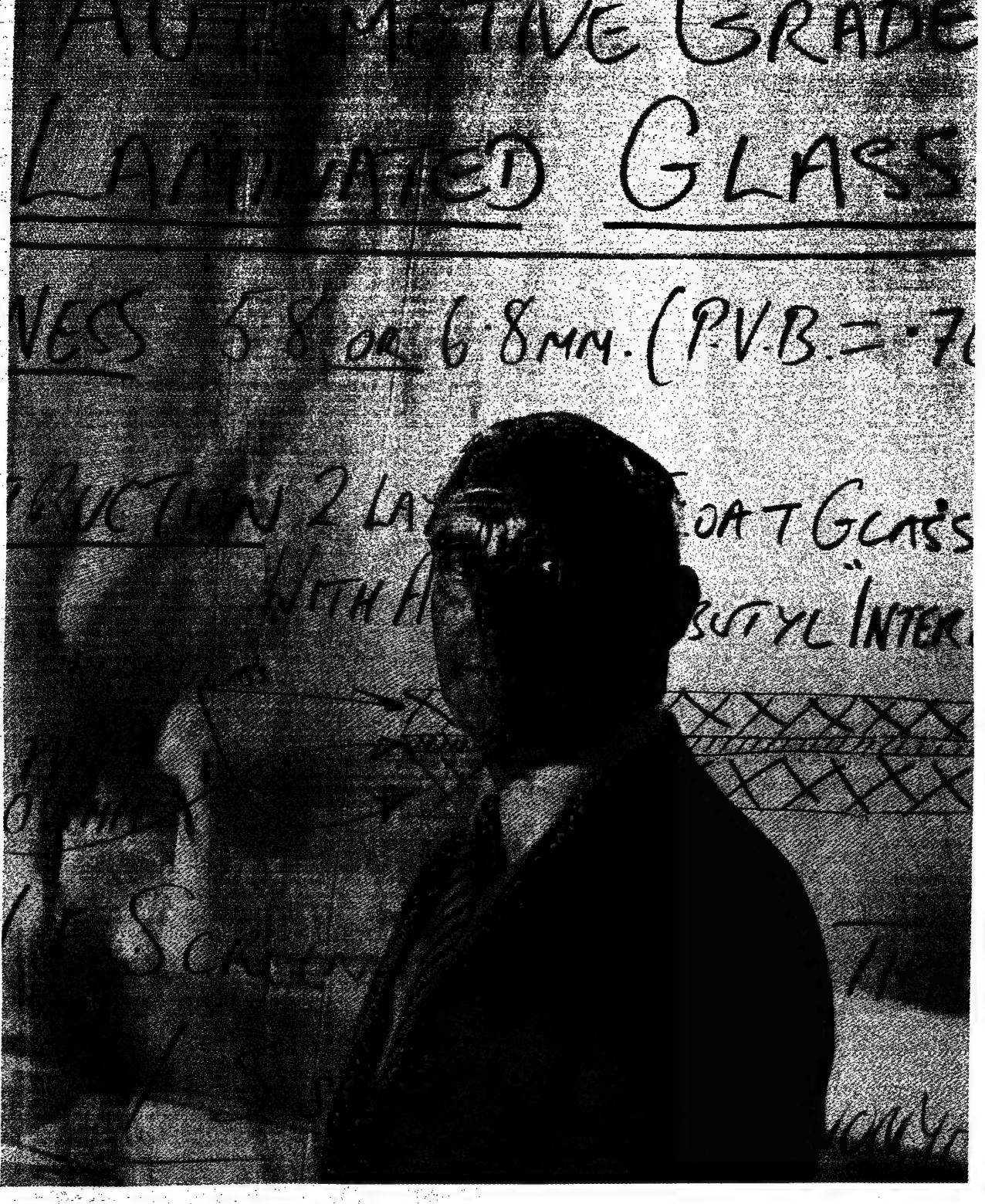
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Jack Maurice and Robert Bruce on making audits more objective

# Change your partners please

BY JACK MAURICE

BEFORE the government set about implementing the European Directive on regulation of auditors in the Companies Act 1989, it called for a public debate on the profession's independence and whether safeguirds were needed be-yond the guidance of the professional bodies.

One of the key issues was whether the law should require judit firms to be rotated at set intervals, say every five years. That idea found little favour either within the profession or among managers and ilvestors in the companies<sup>F</sup>hemselves.

The very use of the term "rotation" suggested some un-seemly game of "musical chairs'. Overwhelmingly, large isted companies are audited by the eight largest multirational firms.

The prospect of firm A being succeeded after five years by firm B, and then back to A again, with the possible intervention of C or D, bore unfaviurable comparison with the freedom of the members of companies to choose their aiditors at will.

So, far from an improvement in technical and ethical standards, a five-yearly cycle of change of auditors promised escalating costs for business and ; helter-skelter "learning

Conpulsory rotation would bring comfort only for those less ourageous audit engagemen partners who might be tempted to put off confrontation with a company's managenent during the "lame duci" period of each audit tern, in the knowledge that the problem would soon be that of another firm. The proession was solid, vocal and successful in its opposition to conpulsory rotation being included in the legislation.

Against that background, thesuggestion of the Cadbury committee that the accountancy profession should consider

might have been expected to have fallen on stony ground. This has not however, been the case. The auditing committee of the ICAEW considered rotation of audit partners as a means of achieving great-er independence and objectivity, and came down on the side of rotation.

Among possible benefits: ☐ The client receives a fresh, objective scrutiny and new ideas without sacrificing the knowledge and understand-ing of the business that the audit firm has acquired and which would be lost through

changing audit firms.

Rotation of personnel promotes continuing impartiality and helps to avoid situations where outsiders might question an auditor's objectivity. ☐ Rotating assignments of-fers audit personnel the maximum opportunity for their professional development.
The ICAEW auditing com-

mittee recommended to the Chartered Accountants Joint Ethics Committee (CAJEC), that existing ethical guidance should be extended to include compulsory rotation of the andit engagement partner. The period recommended was the same as that which is already compulsory in Ameri-

rotation of audit partners ca for SEC-registered clients at least every seven years. Like the American provision, the requirement would be restricted to listed and other public interest companies. CAJEC needed little con-

vincing. Rotation of the engagement partner and senior members of staff is already recommended in the guidance of the three institutes on independence and the audit. introduced in August 1991. What is new in the proposal is that rotation be mandatory and that the period is stipulated. In addition, the draft guidance says that a partner who has been "rotated" should not revert to be the audit engagement partner for at least two years.

After the broad-based con-

sultation, both within and outside the profession, that is conducted before proposals are submitted to the councils of the institutes, CAJEC knows that the new draft guidance on rotation of audit partners commands strong support in principle.

Members of the public are invited to comment, if they wish, by December 31.

Jack Maurice is Secretary of the Chartered Accountants Joint Ethics Committee



Benefits all round: Jack Maurice of the Ethics Committee

#### Asking Vatman for amnesty

THE legend of David and Goliath has taken on a new meaning at Blick Rothenberg, a firm of London chartered accountants. David Rothenberg, senior tax partner, is fighting Customs & Excise over a new VAT regime for cross-border goods which comes into effect in January. Rothenberg and Nilesh Shah, his fellow partner, are pressing for a year-long period of amnesty to protect unwary companies from harsh fines and penalties. "The impact of this is almost impossible to

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jokes has thrown up a star tling fact - there appears to be only one. So far, we have received two versions of the balloon story which appeared last week and which wins Timothy Rodda, of EDGE Re-cruitment in Guildford, Surrey, a bottle of champagne. Could it be that accountants do not have a sense of humour? More champagne is available if you care to prove us This week's bottle goes to

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## Quarantine can be good for the soul

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IT MUST seem the simplest and most logical career move of all. A company needs a new finance director. It hires the partner from its auditors. Here is this person who has been in charge of the audit for the past lew years. Through that work that individual has a deep knowledge of the company, the personalities involved, the difficult decisions which have never really been dealt with, the weaknesses of internal control. It is, from the company's view, a perfect match. And it is the sort of transfer which happens all the time.

Now the profession's ethics watchdogs are starting to bark and after a dutiful period of consultation they may also be ready to bite. They argue that there are obvious pitfalls which are being ignored. Does the incoming finance director get an easy ride from chums back at the ranch? How far did the last audit go soft when the partner realised that he was

going to slip across the border? And what connections, all those complicated things about pension rights and partnership monies, still exist? Suddenly the cosy relationship starts to look fraught with unacknowledged conflicis. This is where CAJEC. the profession's joint ethics committee, has now started the process of creating guide-lines and rules. This has come about through two separate areas of pressure. First the pressure to fall in line with what is perceived as best international practice and second, in reaction to comments from within the profession and from the public that there must surely be conflicts of interest.

The international pressure is straightforward. Guidelines and rules on the practice already exist in the US. The American institute, the AICPA, and the all-powerful Securities and Exchange Commission administer them. But IFAC, the international federation of accountants, had not added them to its efforts in the field of harmonising practice around the world. Last year IOSCO, the international organisation of securities commissions and similar organisations, asked it to do so.

This is significant because it means that the rules which CAJEC is advocating for the UK are directly drawn from the American experience. These are relatively straightforward. Payments relating to the partner's interest in the audit practice and retirement benefits have to be made according to a fixed schedule. The outgoing partner cannot take part in the practice's professional activities.

This would include the use of office space or secretarial services, for example. So far so good. That really amounts to ensuring that the changeover occurs on an appropriate arm's-length basis. Where difficulties are likely to arise is in the

areas where it is harder to pin down specific times and events. As the proposed guidelines put it: "Additionally the practice's objectivity may be threatened because of participation in the conduct of the audit by the erstwhile partner or senior employee in the knowledge that he is to join the client." The problem is pinning down the moment that such partners know when they are going to join the client and in assessing whether the audit work was carried out differently as a result. It may be that those concerned took a more relaxed view from the point at which they first started thinking seriously that this might be the job opportunity they had been

waiting for. But that point is obviously a lot earlier in the timetable than a formal offer and acceptance of the job. The proposed guidelines in-sist that there should be "a requirement for immediate notification to (the practice) by a partner or senior emplovee of any intention of joining an audit client". It is the point at which "immediate" should have to be acted upon which is going to be difficult. Once that has happened the rest is easy. The audit partner is removed from the audit. And once gone, "procedures of review and consultation" should be set up to check the " significant audit judgments" made

by the departing partner or employee.

All of this can be made to work. What would he harder to implement, but which would also remove any further doubt, would be the idea of a quarantine period between the person leaving the partnership and joining the client. At the moment this is not envisaged by the CAJEC board. But the committee which did the direct work on producing the proposals thought a quarantine period desirable. Quite how realistic these artificial periods are, when the people concerned supposedly get on with some gardening before taking up their new appointment, is a moot point. But these are times when the profession has to dramatise its good intentions to ensure that they are understood. And besides, a bit of gardening is good for the soul. The author is Associate Editor

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7 rom the Kodak Brownie to the Handycam has been a long journey. Just as the small black box brought photography within the reach o millions, the camcorder has turned us into a global race of videomakers. When BBC writers gave Linda Snell of The Archers a camcorder to shame the Ambridge litter louts, audience reaction indicated they were on to a good thing, and Linda, equipped with a top-of-the-range model with editing suite. now spouts jargon like a movie pro.

Today, stills carneras work on the same principle as the Brownie (light passing through a lens fitted in a light-tight box and projecting the image on to light-sensitive material), but modern design has removed technical headaches such as focus and exposure, and the photography enthusiast has the pick of thousands of models.

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whatever the eye is looking at. Ninety-eight per cent of house-holds now own at least one stills camera, but camcorders are catching up. Even in recession, where consumer electronics are concerned, there are only two products in steady growth - satellite dishes and camcorders. In five years, annual sales have jumped from 70,000 to 700,000, one for every ten households, to reach a total of more than two million in the UK alone. This figure is likely to double within the next year.

Several factors are responsible for the boom. Technological advances have brought the price within the reach of the mass market a camcorder can be bought for the price of a good 35mm camera. Television shows such as Video Diaries and Jeremy Beadle's You've Been Framed have had a dramatic impact on sales. This year Beadle's production staff have had to wade through more than 50,000 dips from viewers hoping to see their videos on the show. Retailers know when the programme has returned by the stampede to buy.

Finally, and not to be underestimated is the thrill we experience seeing our own walking, talking pictures in the comfort of our living rooms. After years as spectators, we have joined the game.

Curiously, most people are better

Walking talking pictures

The camcorder has made us a race of video-makers, writes Ros Drinkwater



at making videos than at taking snapshots. It can be argued that freezing the action at precisely the right moment — what Harold Evans called "the decisive moment" - is more difficult than following it but, more importantly. most of us have spent our lives watching the masters of the medium on both big and small screens.

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Basically, camcorders are video cameras with an integrated unit that records synchronised image and sound and has the facility for instant replay on a television screen. They are simple to operate. with automatic focus and exposure, and basic models have limited editing facilities. Some take full-size VHS cassettes, but more up-to-date models use the smaller VHS-C tapes, which can be played back on a recorder with an adaptor. Dixons has 60 models on dis-

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play. There is keen competition among manufacturers to produce the most streamlined model, with the most features, at the lowest cost. Potential buyers would do well to study a specialist magazine such as Camcorder User," says Paul Wheaton, Dixons' photographic manager. The first question our sales assistant will ask is what you intend to use the machine for. The market is in three groups. Most of our sales are to families. We find sales peak just before holidays and Christmas." For this group the most popular models are in the low to medium price range, such as Sanvo's VMD66 at £499.99 and Sony's CCD-FX500 at £799.99, a sturdy model weighing 850 grams and built to cope with a reasonable amount of rough and tumble.

The second group comprises cameras for people who take their videos seriously. The camera, for them might be Sony's V6000 or Canon's EXIHI, the European Camcorder of the Year for two years running and the only model on the market with interchangable lenses compatible with the SLR EOS system. Expect to pay about £2,000.

As technology improves, cam-corders become smaller and the trend is towards the third group, the "travelcam". Examples are Panasonic's Palmeorders and Sony's Handycams, for travellers who need to keep size and weight to

Typical of this new generation is the Canon range of Ultra-Compacts, priced between £699.99 and £899.99. The base model, the UC15, weighs 520 grams, has an 8x zoom with a focal length of between 6mm and 48mm, ton

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and shooting.

Picture quality is scarcely discernible from that of regular television programmes. The UC16 adds the luxury of a colour viewfinder, and the top-of-the-range UC30 records in stereo and uses the Hi8 system for improved picture quality. One advantage of the size is that the centre of gravity is directly in the palm of the hand, making it easier on the wrist. There are, of course, 1,001

accessories, but your first buy should be the A to Z of Camcorders. Sachets of silica gel absorb humidity in hot climates and are useful for holiday videos. Dixons has a word of warning: videos made on an American camcorder cannot be played on a UK tele-vision, and vice versa, so do not be tempted by lower American prices. A tripod will eliminate camera

shake, although more sophisticated

models now incorporate a divice to counteract shake. A sound river, at £40, allows the addition of commentary and music. An editr, for £150 to £200, gives cleaner cus and lets you change the sequelor of takes. Sports fans will appreliate a splash-proof housing at £99.19.

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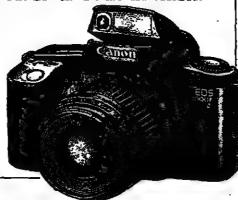
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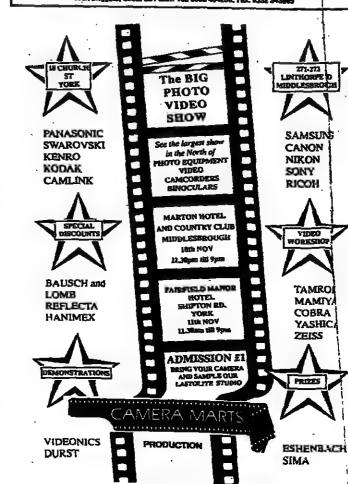


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CINEMA: Geoff Brown on an anachronistic classic, an offbeat contemporary tale and the London Film Festival

# Hawkeye speaks with forked tongue

omahawks fly through the air, and the Huron Indians emerge from the trees. British Redcoats fire the d musket, then keel over prettily, e women quake. Hair is scalped ads, arms and stomachs are ed. No wonder our hero Hawkshouts, "We're walking out of

This is scarcely the language of mes Fenimore Cooper, or indeed d 757, when events in this flashy, cappointing new screen version. The Last of the Mohicans that But none of the film-makers wn the decades who wrestled h Cooper's novel kept faith with literary style. From this clotted e of a frontiersman raised by litans, trapped in the battle ween the British and French for onial land, they wanted three ngs: adventure, spectacular scen-Michael Mann, the latest direc-

best-known as executive procer of television's Miami Vice; ares the same goals. With numer-c ambushes, a besieged fort, and ath-defying moments on waters and ravines, the adventure and nery should come easy. But ann's staging severely disap-ints the wide-screen composiths lack depth, while the camera's cits and scuttles destroy the othm that action scenes need. It is eugh to make past directors of a Last of the Mohicans, from furice Tourneur to George B. Siz, wring their hands in horror. Mann has better luck extracting mance from Cooper's prose jun-As Hawkeye, he casts Daniel Lewis, whose eyes can burn a in paper. He stands proudly h shoulder-length hair, torso. ting, dressed in Frontiersman. (ic by the costume designer from knees With Wolves. In Hollyod's 1936 version. Hawkeye fell f Alice, younger daughter of the lush Colonel Munro; now he scumbs to the eldest. Cora, ielligently played by Madekine. swe. They embrace by pictur-que candielight; under a thing-cous waterfall they stand ewined is this The Last of the phicans or a deodorant ad? Mann strives equally to make a relevant Mohicans. In the old audiences still regarded wkeye's adoptive folks as Injuns. w they are Native Americans: bud, abused people, manipulat-by the imperialist dreams of the. hish and French Wes Studi, a erokee, displays true malevoce as the Huron warrior Magua;

Chingachgook, a wise old bird



Hero hooked: Daniel Day-Lewis as Hawkeye, the eponymous hero of Michael Mann's new version of The Last of the Mohicans, is captured by the Redcoats

cannily portrayed by Russell Means, famous activist for Native American causes

So there you have it Political correctness, Violence, sei, much noise, no substance a Last of the Mohicans for the Ninetles. The next century is unlikely to be

Two brothers are talking, "I was betrayed," one bleats, "double-crossed by the woman I loved." Who, mom?" says the other, incredulously. This could only be a Hal Hardey film, Simple Men is the third full-length feature from this bright young American direc-tor, and bears all the trademarks h the dwindling Mohicans led lievable Truth.

stomping ground), lo-quacious, philosophising oddball characters live on a knife-edge, their head in a book or their hand on a gun. Violence of word or deed erupts with-

out warning, though deadpan performances and clinically precise camerawork put a chill on the temperature. You sense the ghosts of Jim Jarmusch, Jean-Luc Godard, Woody Allen even; yet the tone is entirely distinctive.

Using his regular cameraman Michael Spiller and a hand-picked cast (several familiar from previous films). Harriey packages the ingrefore. But technical finesse is women exist?"), an epileptic Roma-

The Last of the Mohicans (MGMs Haymarket, Shaftesbury Avenue, 12) Simple Men (Metro, Everyman, 15)

> not to escape the feeling that he is beginning to get stuck in his own

The two wildly dissimilar brothers - one studious, one freaky embark on a voyage of discovery. Their ostensible goal is to find their father, a former baseball star turned political activist; but the way is strewn with fantastic diversions, variously supplied by a passing In New York State (Hartley's achieved at a price, and it is hard nian, and the proprietress of a

chotic ex-husband lurking off-screen.
In Simple Men the

unpredictable has be-

come almost predictable: who else would man the small-town garage pumps but a certified eccentric, practising his French, playing "Greensleeves" on an electric guitar? Still a relative baby in the cinema scene. Hartley has certainly proved he can walk.

Now he must learn to spread his

wings and fly. Hal Hartley also features in the London Film Festival (box office: 071-928 3232), though the three not recommended for newcomers.

and Surviving Desire give us Hartley without frills: brusque, violent action; philosophic talk about faith, knowledge and love; much repetition. The lead character in the longest, most arid film, Surviving Desire, is a literature professor who has spent six weeks bogged down over a single parafrom The Brothers Karamazov. Aggravated students

Hartley presents the man's crisis of conscience with customary elegance, it is hard after a while not to want to follow suit. Elsewhere, the festival runs the accustomed gamut from main-

throw books at him; and though

tend to flock to the former: tonight's opening film Peter's Friends and the closing gala of the newly edited Blade Runner were sold out weeks ago, though audiences will soon be able to see both in the West End. Amos Gutman's Amazing Grace was another early sell-out, largely on the strength of the brochure's photograph of three handsome men en déshabille. The festival's first week offers

Narkoleptika and Pants Make

plenty of opportunities for moving away from the beaten track. True. you can get your lingers burned: Moshen Makhamalbal's exasper-ating, dream-like history of Iranian cinema, Once Upon a Time, Cinema. showing tomorrow, requires a certain knowledge of the country's film history and a superhuman amount of patience.

ut you will also find enchantments such as Takeshi Kitano's A Scene Jan Sverák's The Elementary School (Sunday), and solid fare such as Diane Kurys's After Love. Her characters always lead complex lives, though they have rarely scaled such heights as the smart Parisian lovers and married couples featured here. We begin at the birthday party of Isabelle Huppert, novelist: slipping away from her boy friend (Bernard Giraudeau. architect), she runs to her newest flame (Hippolyte Girardot, pop musician) waiting in his car. Both men are married with children: Kurys, though, supports all their efforts to follow their hearts' desires. Indifferent performances would

have sabotaged After Love. But Kurys's starry troupe never fail to humanise these well-heeled Parisians as they duck and weave between freedom and responsibility. Isabelle Huppert, in commanding form as Lola, the unmarried gadabout, will be interviewed on stage after the performance on Saturday night.

One film looms large over the first week, Victor Erice's extraordinary The Quince Tree Sun (Sunday). In this, the story is simply how Antonio López, a Spanish painter. attempts to capture the texture of light falling in his garden on a quince tree that ripens and withers over the autumn months.

Intimate and slow, the film tests an audience's resolve, but is worth every effort. Erice's magic eye leads us to contemplate the ultimate commercial release to the genuine- Last of the Mohicans might have

THEATRE: Benedict Nightingale on Peter O'Toole's return to the West End

# Winning team stumble through a second match

his comes from the firm of Waterhouse, Sherrin and O'Toole, who are not stockbkers or solicitors, not even uprirket turi accountants or Jermyn Seet shirtmakers. Their trade is specialised to merit a listing in yellow Pages: call it creative cholition or somesuch. Briefly, it ishe job of two of the senior princes to present plays in which it third flamboyantly falls apart. ogether, they manufactured the wry lament for dying Soho, Jirey Bernard Is Unwell. Now Kith Waterhouse has turned his aintion to a novel he himself whe in 1988; Ned Sherrin has allowed his adaptation of its and his adaptation of its analysis and his adaptation of its dicted his adaptation of it; and Per O Toole plays the leading chacter, a married adman professhally ruined and personally devasted by his affair with a much yinger woman. Their joint cream has its moments, but is, I fear, haly unlikely to match the success

erhaps your reviewer should not he prepared himself by reading thoriginal Our Song. It is a supoly observed account of an observe love: sensitive, humorous, nral without being moralising. at open-minded enough to conce that some emotions can simultaeously be self-destructive and lifenhancing. Moreover, Water-hese's adaptation sticks to the essetials of the story, Sherrin's prodition moves along pretty fluentlynd O Toole shifts from reminiscee to dialogue with the ease of agacrobat swinging from rope to theze. Yet the play seems sadly th and unsubtle beside the novel. haybe the problem is miscastin Roger Piper, as the adman is cæd, is a pretty unremarkable cip: a Wardour Street Everyman

Our Song Apollo

what both Waterhouse's book and his script call "another sexual planet". As for Angela, his mistress, she is a much more interesting figure: a roofless, anarchic succu-bus risen from some mysterious demi-monde to tease and tantalise. him, to play sulky, wayward tricks on his psyche, and to refuse finally to commit herself to him.

But how could anybody think of O'Toole as average or unremarkable? That bony face, that long, gangling body, those weird, high, blimpish vowels, that manic energy and raddled charisma: the very idea of him as an adventuress's sad-sack victim is somehow preposterous. Conversely, there is little obvious fascination in Tara Fitz-Gerald's Angie; and no wildness or unpredictability either. On the whole, she comes across as a brassy, abrasive sort, without either the charm or the occasional vulnerability that Waterhouse allows her.

She changes or develops hardly at all during the evening. More importantly, O'Toole makes little if anything of Roger's switches from exhilaration to rancorous jealousy. and still less of his decline from a successful businessman to the sorry monomaniac who seems hardly to care when he loses his partnership for playing truant from the office. Sondheim's song, "Send In the Clowns", intermittently wings across the stage; but O Toole funks the implicit invitation, which is to give the play moral shape and point by showing Roger succumbing to a



Mismatched: Peter O'Toole and Tara Fitzgerald in Our Song

at the beginning, and that's about

The evening is never as monotonous as Tim Goodchild's odd, ugly to find here. As it is, a rich and tors, seems to threaten. There are downbeat love story.

looks a bit blearier at the end than sharp, observant exchanges and funny lines, several of them. But there is more, much more for set, all beige, from its chairs to its light-switches to its television moni-

# Royalties due? Make me an author

BRITAIN has 20,203 professional authors — official. Or at least that is the number of writers registered this year to receive payment from the Public Lending Right Scheme. the fund which pays authors a sum in proportion to the number of times their books are borrowed from public libraries. The most popular writers, 81 of them, earned the maximum £6,000 from the scheme; whereas 11,670 pen-pushers earned between £1 and £99; and 3,319 unfortunates apparently wrote prose so impenetrable to library-users that they did not qualify for payment at all. The PLR system is based on a sample of book-issues in less than two per cent of all libraries. In all, £3.75 million was distributed this year.

Reunion in sight

JOHN MALKOVICH and Miranda Richardson are the names

# ARTS BRIEFING

Pinter directs the play (currently running off-Broadway in New York) at the Royal Court in London next year. If it works out, the casting would reunite Malkovich and Richardson following their appearances on film together in Empire of the Sun and on television in Pinter's own Old Times.

THE recession must be bad. because London art dealers are having to forgo their cherished weekends in the country to drum up business. Aware that they may be missing out on the trade of continental visitors weekending in Britain, more and more galleries have been opening at least on Saturday mornings. Now 17 rival

Cork Street galleries are uniting to try an even bolder stroke. On November 28 and 29, they will be open for what is described as a weekend extravaganza" of traditional and contemporary art. If that fails, the next step may be gallery owners parading up and down the West End wearing auntwich boards.

#### Last chance . . .

WHO would have dreamed that a three-and-a-half hour play about Aids and the iniquities of America. pompously subtitled "A Gay Fantasia on National Themes", would prove such a success? Yet Angels in America has been packing out the Cottesloe at the National Theatre (071-928 2252) since January, thanks to the crisp energy both of Declan Donnellan's cast and of Tony Kushner's writing. His sequel should reach the National in the next year or two. Meanwhile, Angels ends its run on Saturday.



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LONDON FILM FESTIVAL: The stwal is launched with Kenneth ranagh's letest movie, Peter's Friends, British edition of *The Big Chi*ll, in which graduale chums unce after ten years to bare souts. From today until November 22, there are new firms from Europe, Asia, Africa, both Americas and even Asia, Africa, both Americas and even Britain. Some of the highlights are Enc Robinser's A Winter's Tale (New 12), Victor Erice's The Quince Tree Sun (Sun); Akian Cornecut's Tous les Matins du monde, where the Departicus (lather and son) resurrect the life of Mann Merias. court composer for Louis YM (Mar. 9) these near (3). XXV (Nov 19) (see page 37). London Film Festival, National Film Theatre, South Bank, SE1 and other central London venues (071-826 3232). THE TURNER PRIZE 1992: This year the four artists shortlisted for the prize the IOU stills a turnesses in any parties are all young enough and newscorscious enough to make it seem more like a competition for new art rather than an accobace on entry into the Establishment Recent work by Grenville Davisy, Damien Hirst, David Tremiet and Alison Wilding is on view; the announcement of the winner is on

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Lovely performances by, among others, Sylvestra le Touzel and Philip Voss. Yne PB, Barbroan Centre, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, 7 15pm. DEATH AND THE MAIDER AND Dortman's scorching psychological drama on the longing for revenge. Penny Downe, Danny Webb and Hugh Ross make up the cast.

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ney larce with lots of laughs. Playhouse, Northumberland Avenue, WC2 (071-839 4401). Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sal, 8,30pm, mat Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 5 30pm.

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YOUNG BRAHMS: The splendid senes of chamber rectals continues with a vocal and piano programme given by soprann Amanda Rooccoft and tener Adnen Thompson, with Roger Vignoles and Pelar Donohoe. Queen Elizabeth Half, South Benk, SE1 (071-929 8900), 7 45pm RED RODNEY'S RED ALERT: The American beloop trumpeter who played with Charlie Perker in the late 1940s is in residence for a week alongside blues befor Irene Rent. Ronnie Scott's, Frith Street, W1 (071-439 0747), tongit-Set, 8.30pm.

REGIONAL ASHFORD: The Three Rivers Jazz project presents a series of concerts by established and up-and-coming juzz musicians from London (until Decembe misscaps orn condon (una becarda 17) Tonight African percussionst Francila Fuster (from Paul Smoon's Graceland band), fumpeter Hugh Masalitela and tendr secupinonist Tina Whitahead present their aptly tried collaboration, Fireworks Queen Mary Salling Club, Ashlord Road (junction with A308), 8pm

SysSFFELD: Jack Shephard's Mr Rochester troubles the heart of Errena Fielding in Wills Hell's adeptation of Jane Egre Cruebbe, Nortolik Street (0742 789922), Provises from longht, 7,30pm; opens Nov 10.

small-scale operu productions to places that might otherwise suffer operat depression. This season's reperture consists of Verdi's last great opera. Faistaff, performed in Amenda. Holden's effective English translation (the one used at ENO), in a new constitution by Tim Hondins, construction production by Tim Hondins.

ocheton by Tim Hopkins, conducts Sapten Barlow, and a rentral of sphen Medcall's Don Gloverni, first

seen earlier this year. The Orchard, Home Gardens (0332 343333), bonight, Set, (Don Glovanni) tomorrow (Faissell), 7.30pm.

LEGIS: A Victory Warner adjusted from Zola's L'Assortmair by the laters from trace a West End success of Ners. The downtal of a laundress, surfagents a world of walkers, quadrilles and the carrown (danced by men and women).

Countyand Theatre, West Yorkshire Playhouse (0532 442111) Pravious tonight, tomorrow, 7.45pm; opens Stil., 7.45pm.

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON: The last opening of the Royal Shakespeare Company's 1925 seeon is John Card's new Anlony and Cleopatra. Richard Johnson and Clare Higgins who up the passon and integra. Royal Shakespeare Theetire (1789 295623), 7pm; then back in the recenting on Monday.

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THE DESCRIPTIONS Stockard Channing as the rich New Yorker transfigured by a black con artist in John Guare's and play on human Inter-dependence. Cossedy, Pariton Street, SW1 (071-867 1045). Mon-Sat, Spm, mate Wed, Spm, Sat, 4pm. 90mins. THOUSE EN MIND: VICTOR staging of Alica Childress's forgotten black American play, With back stage

banter and claverly delivered massage. Tricycle, 269 Kibum High Road, NW8 (071-328 1000). Mon-Sal, Spm, met Sal, Apm. 135mms.

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## MUSIC: A hidden muse uncovered; and the Scottish CO reviewed in London





Galina Ustvolskaya and Dmitri Shostakovich: "It is not you who are influenced by me," he said. "Rather it is I who am influenced by you."

# Shostakovich's last secret

mitri Shostakovich was a mas-ter of deceit. He feigned Soviet loyalty in showpiece symphonies, but subverted the scores with an undertone of irony. His true feelings were revealed in a disputed autobiography. Testimony, in 1979, and confirmed two years later when his son,

Maxim, sought asylum in the west. But having cracked the historical code in Shostakovich, scholars are now discovering personal secrets about the composer. The most tantalising of these concerns an obscure female composer, still living in St Petersburg, whom Shostakovich privately acknow edged as a vital influence on his music.

Her name is Gaiina Ustvolskaya. She is unmentioned in Shostakovich biographies and is unknown beyond a closed circle of St Petersburg musicians. She was born in 1918 and joined Shostakovich's composition class at the local conservatory in 1937 - "a very young but extremely gifted girl" according to a Soviet text. She came into his life just as Shostakovich was placating Stalin with the Fifth Symphony, and was at his side through the war and the second reign of terror.

She graduated in 1947 with an extraordinary testimonial. "I am conmusic of G.I. Ustvolskaya will achieve remained beyond the pale. In contrast asked about Shostakovich. "If you independent as a composer."

HEINZ HOLLIGER, it can safely be

said, is one of the world's finest oboists

and at least an intriguing composer. As

a conductor, however, he fails into the

category of one who can but does not

need to, and perhaps even should not. His direction of the Scottish Chamber

Orchestra here was efficient but unin-

spired, except in the first movement of

the final work, Haydn's Symphony No

83, "The Hen", which contained real

sparkle. Holliger allowed this music

plenty of space, and the rhythms were

crisp, the colours vibrant. To judge

from the grins on the platform, the

movement's wit and charm infected

the players, an unusually happy-

looking bunch anyway. But Holliger could not maintain the slow move-

ment's poised eloquence, and thereafter, even for the finale, some

brilliance was lost, for all the disci-

plined neatness of the playing.

Did the music of the Soviet Union's greatest composer reflect his devotion to an almost

unknown pupil? Norman Lebrecht reports

worldwide renown, to be valued by all who perceive truth in music to be of

In a recently discovered letter, Sho-stakovich added: "It is not you who are influenced by me. Rather it is I who am influenced by you." He planted the first acknowledgement in his Fifth String Quartet, whose undercurrent repeatedquotes an original theme from Ustvolskaya's clarinet trio, composed in 1947, her graduation year. Neither her trio nor his quartet could be played at the time. Stalin had posted Andrei Zhdanov to Leningrad to punish the top composers. Shostakovich, sacked from his teaching job, was declared an "enemy of the people" and forced to write party hymns. The quartet, which opens with one of his angriest and most defiant passages, was kept in a drawer until the tyrant was safely dead. Ustvoiskaya's trio was not performed until 1968.

paramount importance."

After Stalin's death. Shostakovich was restored to official favour with the

kleine Trauermusik, an unmodulating

duet for horns, I do not know, though

admittedly the piece would be apt for a

genuine funeral procession. Neither could I understand why the Adagietto from Mahler's Fifth Symphony fol-

to his large symphonies, she composed for small ensembles and solo piano. "My work is in no way connected to any other composer," she informed her German publisher. "There is no reference to the music of Shostakovich." she wrote to an American admirer.

he mystery of her association with Shostakovich is deepened by her refusal to discuss it. "Everyone in Petersburg has heard of her, very few people know her - she is so closed a person," says Dmitri Smirnov, a Russian composer living in Britain. Probably the only outsider admitted

to her home was the Dutch composer. Reinbert de Leeuw. After performing her music at the Aldeburgh Festiva last June, he applied to make a film about her. "She refused to appear on camera or allow her voice to be recorded," he says. "You only see her opening the door. She does not want to let you into her world." She talked vinced," wrote Shostakovich, "that the Tenth Symphony, but Ustvolskaya about her music but balked when

mention any other composer he becomes furious," adds De Leeuw The reason Shostakovich quoteoer

theme in the fifth quartet wa it transpires, to express admiration r a composer who, unlike himself, refed to make the slightest concession the Kremlin. There was probably ancer cause. Shostakovich was alone dung the Zhdanov terror, ostracised by colleagues and abandoned for ne stretches by his first wife, Nina, ho was away working in a high-secity physics institute in Armenia. stvolskaya was the only women in warn he could confide.

He corresponded with her forhe rest of his life and in 1974, the ar before he died, quoted her trio thne again in a Michelangelo sonnefor bass voice and piano.

Maxim Shostakovich, the comoser's son, remembers meng Usivolskaya when he was a boy. 'Ay father said she was one of the ost illustrious composers of our time." When inserviewed on the subst,

Maxim was reluctant to enlargon their personal relations but, preed about rumours of a romance, admird: 'It is true. When my mother diecin. 1954), Shostakovich proposed arriage to Ustvolskaya. She refused, he reason she gave was, she wanted the

CONCERTS: An oboist on the conductor's rostrum

# Under a prevailing wind

Haydn was a weicome antidote to a Why Holliger chose -

**SCO/Holliger** gloomy first half. Queen Elizabeth Hall

sible for an ensemble based on just two to begin with as undistinguished a desiss of cellos. Holliger's manner, piece of juvenilia as Schubert's Bine moreover, was distinctly brisk. These curious curtain raisers did at

this music demands

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funeral march for wind ensemble least establish a sombre ambience which begins with an extended, testing ready for Karl Amadeus Hartmann's Concerto Funébre. Most of Hartmann's work, Holliger reminded us, had to be undertaken behind the backs of the Nazis. This piece, written in 1939 but, in common with lowed it. The string numbers at Hartmann's other work, withdrawn Holliger's disposal were limited, but and revived in the light of war-time

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studies with Webern; cocks a snodat the regime which the composer breely opposed with its overt references tube ideologically unsound Bartok at Stravinsky in its fast, gritty trd movement. The work's flavouris. otherwise, however, true to its titlehe other movements are an introducty largo, an adagio, and a broad fole marked "choral" which incorporat & Russian revolutionary song. It inhaits a definitively middle European, 1ddle century, neo-classical sound wid, an idiom with which Holliger seeed perfectly at home. Hindemith ism obvious point of convergence, stytically and otherwise. The elogunt, often lavish solo violin part was plad beautifully by Christian Tetziaff, ad the SCO, disciplined and clean, offed solid support.

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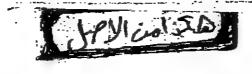
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# Time to put some bite into fiction

The vampire legend, dressed up for the

Nineties, is making a literary comeback.

Lici Cavendish stakes out the new ghouls

hroughout the coming long, dark winter we will be surrounded by vampires. The creatures of the night that fly in through open winows and sink fatal fangs into millwhite necks are back in business Consider this blood-spattered list & screen manifestations. Francis ord Coppola is filming a remak of Dracula, starring Gary Oldran and Anthony Hopkins. Ove the Christmas period BBC2 will be showing a "soap opera"

inte bite-sized chuks), commis-'The vampire siond by Janet Stret-Porter and called The Vammyth taps into Wekend Telethe Nineties visio's arts prograime, psyche' Sour Bank Show.

will se raising its staks and lifting the it (the coffin lid, naturally) on the pinty-teethed marauders. And broacasting Vlad the Impaler, a commoorary Rumanian play abor the central European medieval lespot who was the origin of the whole Count Dracula cult.

The relaunch of the vampire mythis not confined to the screen. A plthora of books, fictional and non-ktional, are hitting the shops at the moment, including a couple of empendiums: The Mammoth Bool of Vampires edited by Ste-pher Jones (published by Robinson) nd Vampire Stories edited by Richrd Daiby (published by Michel O'Mara). They are all abou vampires, yet they show differnt sides of a myth that can be angld as the author chooses. That is prhably why it has survived so long. The vampire now turns up as a blak lesbian, or a Victorian sérial killer or as a predatory American profesor who stalks the campus for his rey, becomes psychologically confued and ends up going throun Gestalt therapy. Very

Amercan, very 1992. Wly are vampires back in force?

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In the last decade the public's appetite for the macabre, especially for gory, inexplicable deaths, has reached an all-time high. The vampire is the classic expression of our fear of the unknown: dead yet alive; dangerous yet alluring, often in a way that scarcely hides sexual

The vampire is a fascinating demon who can be used as a metaphor for our society," says Christopher Frayling, author of Vampyres. "It can represent the system sucking the proles dry, or

drug addiction, or even ecological destruction. It is pop-ular now because of the new puritanscary and should be repressed, if not punished. When Bram Stoker wrote his novel it was about putting pas-sion back in the closet. This is

happening now."

Obviously it is not difficult for an author to make a link between vampirism and HIV. The original Dracula novel was full of references to venereal diseases, especially syphilis from which Stoker is said to have suffered. That may explain the book's conservatism, its promotion of Victorian values and its underlying misogynist tone: was

Stoker enacting in literary terms his

desire to put a stake through the

heart of the woman from whom he contracted his disease? Kate Pullinger, whose book Where Does Kissing End? is being promoted as a modern Dracula story, uses Stoker's view of women vampires to explore female sexuality, the balance of power between the sexes and the confusion that arises between men and women. She uses the vampire myth not only to scare but to show the sexual jure of her vampire, Mins.

"Mina is in control of her sexuality and uses it to express herself," says Pullinger. "She shows the dichotomy of many women in the 1990s: she has a job, she is



Scream on the screen: Christopher Lee, one of the most famous of the old-style Draculas on film — but the new manifestations are more attuned to modern traumas

independent, she sleeps without commitment with whoever she chooses, yet she also wants the security of a home and one particular lover. She suffers conflicting emotions about the way she is leading her life. My book looks at all these aspects of modern life sex, power, monogamy, confusion - and I found that the changeable quality of the rempire myth helped

me to do this."

Vampires are also outsiders. Stoker's Dracula is the antithesis of Victorian society. For a start, he is horrible repellent, though that rarely comes over in the movies - stars such as Bela Lugosi and Christo-pher Lee probably balked at playing hairy, repugnant undead be-ings with appalling halitosis. More important still, he erubod-

ies complete un-Englishness. He boasts of his wealth, is nauseatingly unctuous, has three unmitigatedly sexual, predatory wives, lives only at night and is a smarmy, slimy upstart. Just as the Irish Stoker never quite fitted in, so Dracula is an outsider with aristocratic connections who never quite succeeds in becoming socially acceptable. Jewelle Gamez, in her book The Gilda Stories about a black lesbian

vampire, has moulded this outsider element to show her vamoire as a caring being, rather than a tyranni-cal monster whose dominance is based on prescribed power relationships. She attempts to show both vampirism and lesbianism as processes of learning to be outside society. Immortality brings its problems: the vampire is depicted as a potentially lonely, confused

Dr Weyland, the vampire in Suzy McKee Charnas's book The Vampire Tapestry, also suffers from being, of necessity, outside society. Yet he is a domineering character, a man of few sentimental feelings. He does not choose to be totally in control, but has to be in order to survive. The vampire myth taps into the Nineties psyche," says

Dr Weyland is glamorous, erudite, compelling, and a snappy dresser. Even when women know his real identity, they still willingly give themselves. In this respect Charnas has touched on a key element of the vampire's appeal: the unreal. He is attractive because he is fictitious. It is the illusion that vampire stories uncover subconscious desires which makes the

myth so insidiously powerful. When I wrote my novel," says Charnas, "I tried to control my vampire and make him an antiromantic, criminal figure. Yet he ended up being a sympathetic character who was semi-romantic. I had no choice how to depict him. In

fact, the book just wrote itself."

But beyond all this high-flown psychological speculation lies a more simple reason for the success of literary vampires: they make for ripping good yarns. "Let's face it." says Kim Newman, film critic and author of Anno Dracula, "the vampire myth is a great format for letting the author get everything into the novel — blood sucking. love, murder, castles, coffins, cleav ages and, most importantly, lots and lots of sex. Which is what sells books in the end."

The Mammoth Book of Vampires and Vampire Stories will be reviewed in the Times Saturday Review this



Cheyl Campbell: a performance of marvellous clarity

# Lessons in the meaning of death

The opening line takes us straight to the spur of the drama. No cries of THEATRE: Jeremy Kingston enjoys a vigorous RSC revival of Middleton and Rowley's violent tragedy of moral decline

"What, ho!" to a long-lost companion, or "List, have you heard the news from port?" but a young gallant teiling himself, and thus the audi-Twas in the temple where I first beheld her." With his decision to abandon a voyage to Maira and hang around the streets of Alicante the tragedy, moral decline and violent death is sent speeding

Michael Attenborough, the director of this vigorous revival, sensibly takes "temple" to mean "church" and prefaces Alsemero's line with a processional entry of devout women advancing through the audience, stepping across the wide fore-stage and climbing the steps to a giant crucifix. At the head of the procession and feet

of the cross Cheryl Campbell's Beatrice-Joanna kneels in silent prayer, soon to be espied by the man in love with her, who she would passionately prefer to marry in place of her

The conversion of this preference into action (arranging the death of the unwanted betrothed) starts her on the course that will change her from a pettish girl to a murderess in all but deed. The meaning of Middleton and Rowley's title for their play can just be stretched to apply to Beatrice's degradation, but really it belongs to the subplot, set in a mad-house. In Jacobean times a "changeling" was an idiot, the ugly

The Changeling Swan, Stratford

creature fairies left behind after a night of cradle-

Many little bits of the play do not work nearly, and there are gaps that a director must pretend not to notice or, as here, bridge with a marriage in dumbshow. But the play's fascination lies in the way it shows Beatrice being forced to understand what she has done, that a man's death is not Campbell uncovers this re-

luctant awareness with marvellous clarity. At the start she

is a spollt brat, displacing her rage at an unwelcome match onto De Flores, her father's ugly-faced servant. In her jutting lower lip you see the stubborn will, in her quick movements the mind fatally misruled by impulse and eaten out from within by apprehension. In the central scene she has to face a De Flores come to earn his reward for murder. Malcolm Storry, disfigured by a purple birthmark from tempie to chin, rejects her prof-fered ducats with heartfelt anger: it is not just the sense of an insult, and certainly it is more than sexual frustration:

it is outrage that she should

presume to feel untouched by

the crime she has ordered.

With urgent, uncontestable logic Storry drives home her guilt until Campbell finally breathes his name, stricken, in a voice that seems to come from the far corner of a cave. Dressed in pretty, Cavalier costumes, and with loud thumps of percussion and

brazen trumpets (music by Paddy Cunneen) deepening the drama, the production's strong cast includes a meaty-voiced Alsemero from Michael Siberry and a likeably intelligent Lollio, the madhouse keeper, from Geoffrey Freshwater. The placing of actors on the fore-stage is something else. Picturesque, no doubt, to have onlookers standing motionless at the corners but from seat B23 the black mass of Jeffery Dench's breeches totally blocks the sight of the death-throes of Campbell in Storry's arms.

**JAZZ** 

## Hamp's muted vibes

**Lionel Hampton** Festival Hall

T ot so much a concert. more an opportunity bandleaders. Eighty-four years old, Lionel Hampton suffered a stroke this summer, and many assumed that he would finally retire. The incorrigible showman recovered and is still dragging his vibraphone around the internation-

At his peak Hampton was blessed with endless stamina perform is intact, but much of the speed and dederity has ebbed away. The most we should expect from him is a cheerful canter, and he provided that here, backed by a celebrity octet which included the trombonist Al Grey, trum-peter Harry "Sweets" Edison and the pianist Junior Mance.

The band itself was something of a disappointment. Responsible for some of the most zestful small-group jazz on record. Hampton now needs the roar of a full-blown big band behind him. Two or three years ago he was still capable of staging a phenomenal show with an orchestra of young, unknown musicians.

The eight "Golden Men", on the other hand, had a jaded air. Grey, at least, seemed to enter into the spirit of the occasion, shouting encourage-ment and delivering one ripe chorus after another.

Benny Bailey, lead trumpet in many a big band, also made a forceful impression when allowed solo space. Hampton slipped over to the spare drum. kit for his traditional sticktwirling before bidding farewell with a touching rendition of "What a Wonderful World": half-sung, half-spo-ken. Notorious for playing well beyond his allotted time. he made a point of finishing

CLIVE DAVIS

### DANCE REVIEWS: A deliberately coarse reworking of a classic from Northern Ballet Theatre; and a mystifying new work from Jonathan Burrows Clumsy step in the wrong direction

he audience in the stalls but not half as much as the ran who broke up loudly at allthe jokes and whooped his aproval. Perhaps he was the noreographer. Or perhaps to had had a couple of drink - which might well be the bst state in which to view Nortem Ballet Theatre's Swar Lake. Arrive slightly mert (by public transport)

and jet go with it. The production, devised by the ompany's director Chris-tophe Gable and the American choreographer Dennis Waye, is a panto Swan Lake. played for laughs most of the time It even includes the Prine's autor disguised as a wolf in roller skates and an exoti dancer, decked out in red relvet corset and gold fringing, like a particularly racy Vild West saloon bar girl.

The rest of Lez Brotherston's costumes also tend to look as thouh they have strayed from a Bradway musical. And the dances dressed in them play theirparts to the hilt. Arony Harith, tall and hangome, makes an especialSwan Lake Royalty

dancing is not technically outstanding, and his jumps are less than amazing. Lorena Vidal's Odile appeared as a slinky seductress, not least in the ballicom pas de deux, which is transformed into explicit eroticism. Gable may justify this as emotional verismo, but verismo it ain't, since it seems to be taking place in

full view of all the other guests. Wayne has completely replaced the ballet's traditional choreography with steps that are workmanlike and often incongruous. Jayne Regan portrays Odette with great depth of feeling, but little in her demeanour or that of her companions suggests swans. They wear bedraggled offwhite mini-dresses, like

sylphides who have spent too long in the rain. This production certainly does not advance the art of choreography; but then we rather as dance drama. As brash entertainment it works



Playing their parts to the hilt: Jayne Regan and William Walker in NBT's Swan Lake

well, but as drama it has many

The different characters in the ball scene, for example, are confusingly introduced and certain details need sharper presentation to clarify motivation. In the final pas de deux, where is Odette pulling to-wards while the Prince holds her back - the lake?

forgiven; but what I cannot swallow is the mayhem com-mitted on Tchaikovsky. Although hardly immune, from its earliest days, from cuts, interpolations and changes in sequence, the score now resembles a patchwork quilt. Worst of all, however, are the crass modifications in the orchestration. By all means make changes to accommodate the company's smaller orchestral resources. But to superimpose other prominent instruments such as a jazzysounding saxophone in an attempt to make the music match the stage action, no. Fine wine has been turned to vincear as a seasoning for a

NADINE MEISNER and two women, stepping in or out of their allotted space,

# Trying to puzzle out the next move

what Jonathan Burrows's new piece is "about" in any literary sense. he would not thank me for doing so, as he made clear in an interview on these pages last week And of course literal meaning is not the point it is something to experience. What I can say is that it involves four people moving in a confined space, the boundaries defined by rows of lamps at floor level. These are not fixed: the dancers move them at times, converting an oblong space into a square, and later into another oblong stretching a different way.

Two of the people utter words: Matteo Fargion, singing his own songs from a mobile keyboard, and Burrows at one point addressing a microphone. Those words are extraordinary. Every sentence Burrows speaks, in his quiet reasonable voice, makes perfect sense, but in succession they make no sense at all, since there is no relationship bet-

And the dancers, Burrows

The Place

get up to the strangest things. Relationships are implied but not defined, motives are ambiguous, so are reactions. When Lynne Bristow repeatedly forces a cigarette on Deborah Jones, is that generosity or aggression, and is it received resentfully or thank-

Yet the suspicion grows that maybe we are all like this if watched dosely enough. It makes, in any case, compulsive viewing. They are so selfabsorbed, yet they know we are observing them: they stare

Dressed by Joe Casely-Hayford in conspicuously casual ciothes, provided by Peter Mumford's lighting with a changing spatial climate, these performers go about actions that grip as much as they puzzle. Does it matter what the work is about? You

JOHN PERCIVAL

# **Economic** conceits of Mr Lawson

oliticians' memoirs are not memories: they are justifition, a chance to get even and, most innocently, an opportunity to make money. Yet some, such as Churchill's, have a great historic theme and attain a Thucydidean grandeur which amply excuse the occasional peniness and pique

Alas, Nigel Lawson is no Churchill. Much of the memoirs is a matter of putting his slant on events, showing how Mrs Thatcher (as she then was) made important mistakes because she did not follow his advice. How she responded by

"retreading to the Number 10 bunker" and how she THE VIEW FROM was ill served by her No. 11 most loyal advisers (particularly Ber-Memoirs of a Tory Radical nard Ingham and By Nigel Lawson me). Lawson seeks to demonstrate how

many critical occasions — the miners' strike, the poll tax, the entry into the Exchange Rate Mechanism are all notable

A rather surprising claim is that the financial crisis of last September justified Lawson's case that Britain should have joined the ERM in November 1985. (The headline in the serialised excerpts was: "ERM: I was proved right".) Really? You could have fooled me.

After his failure to get Britain into the ERM in 1985, I frequently tried to engage Lawson in a debate about the theory and evidence on the general merits of the ERM. It was the central issue between him and the prime minister and I thought it would be a good idea to thrash it out. I sent a copy of my manuscript for my book, Britain's Economic Renaissance: Margaret Thatcher's Reforms 1979-1984, to the Treasury for their comments (Lawson says he never saw it). There I set out the ERM issue. But Lawson would never argue the case with me, either in a committee (which was perhaps understandable), or in one-on-one discussions (which was not). Even as I rejoined

ERM issue was dearly near boiling point, he would not listen to argument. He simply, and I thought kindly, welcomed me back and warned me to be wary of the

My criticism, which, though I made no claim for originality, acquired the label the Walters critique", predicted that the ERM would give rise to (1) perverse monetary policy induced by externally determined interest rates. (2) a "roller-coaster" effect on the economy: and (3) eventual realignments and unilateral devaluations.

Most of us take the tions should be ac cepted tentatively as valid only if the predictions are largely confirmed by facts. I believe that the events of last September put the final touch (3) to

Lawson clearly cannot counte nance his bete noire being so vindicated and his own ideas duly discredited. Thus, Lawson produces a ridiculous and obvious travesty of the "Walters critique" with straw men galore, so that he can show how dever he is and how very stupid I am. Lawson is not a graceful loser.

I suppose that the attempt to save face became more urgent, since there has developed a much more critical view of the ERM by many respected authorities. The Financial Times (though not the paper's economic commentator, Samuel Brittan) has confirmed my view that the ERM put Britain on a "roller-coaster" from 1987. Karl Ono Pohl, the former president of the Bundesbank, has endorsed my criticism of the system as "haifbaked". Even the prime minister and the Chancellor of the Exchequer have called for its reform. But with a remarkable egocentricity. Lawson ignores reality. He says "nothing that has happened has caused me to resile from the view I took of the ERM as Chancellor.



Alan Walters (left) and Nigel Lawson (right): from 1985 to their simultaneous resignations in October 1989, the two men never discussed the ERM with one arother

On the resignation affair of October 1989, he discloses his private discussions with the prime minister as the crisis developed. Most cognoscenti have interpreted the behaviour of Lawson and Howe as an attempt to get rid of Thatcher. or at least to cut her down to a size that they could manage. After he fired off his "Walters-or-me" demand, Lawson reports that she said: "If Alan were to go, that would destroy my authority." Lawson replied: "That was absurd: her authority owed nothing whatsoever to Walters." Lawson does not see that his statement, aithough true, was irrelevant. If by sacking me Mrs Thatcher had conceded to her ministers the right of veto over

her advisers, then her authority would indeed have been destroyed. She would have been easy meat for the ministerial wolves.

One of the themes of the memoirs is that Mrs Thatcher developed a bunker mentality - particularly after the Westland affair in 1985-6. Lawson complains that she "distanced herself from cabinet colleagues - certainly those who had minds of their own" and listened increasingly to her "loyal courtiers".

He argues that she became increasingly "authoritarian". Yet this description is inconsistent with what he says elsewhere: for example, on the enormous effort that she

the issue of the poll tax. In my experience she was always as wide open to good arguments as she was devastating to bad ones. She would collect opinions and ideas from a wide circle, far beyond Lawson's clique. In demanding my head, Lawson gave the game away. He wanted her in his bunker. The

Lady said "no". These memoirs reflect a Chancel lor of great gifts but fatal conceits. His achievements were enormous; so were his errors. For a long time we shall live with the consequences

Professor Sir Alan Walters was personal economic adviser to the prime minister, 1981-89

to the point of naivety), persuasively

written — here credit is also due to Gill Shepherd — and highly read-

times from a very different social

daughter of a Scotsman, a school-

master who became Liberal MP for

Govan in 1911. The family were, of

course, temperance enthusiasts as

well as Liberals, and Margaret and

her mother (but not her father) were

advanced champions of women's

rights and women's suffrage. Even

in later years she backed ordination

of women and argued the case with

the Archbishop of Canterbury. On

visits to the House of Commons

gallery, she met her future hus-band, William Wedgwood Benn, also a Liberal MP and son of a

successful publisher. He was con-

verted to Labour in 1927, and so

became a minister in the 1929 and

Here are some varied flashbacks by Margaret Stansgate. About Beatrice Webb's hesitation whether

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Margaret Stansgate was also the

angle than Hardie's.

# The brave face of a very British decline

Noël Annan

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ACCIDENT

get where they are by accident or by determination? Lord Greenhill plumps for accident, and he certainly does not fit the tabloids' caricature of a diplomat. From a free church family, he went to grammar school. then to Christ Church—yes, but his influential tutor J. C. Masterman thought he would do better in commerce. So he was taken on by the LNER and assonished to find that, in the days when excursion trains had no corridor, the takings in the coin box of the ladies' lavatory at Clacton on Sea on a

Sunday exceeded £100 in pennies. The war was speni mainly in the Middle and Far East. After it, with a wife and two boys, the

By Dennis Greenhill prospects were bleak Wilton 65, £16.95 Then came the accident. He ran into a diplomar from Cairo days who had become head of personnel at the Foreign Office. Greenhill was taken on probation and within a few months was established. His first post was Sofia, where he learnt how communist governments made the lives of foreign diplomats miserable through sabotage and harassment. He also learnt to despise the visiting fellow-travellers who told him that a "new spirit", sadly

lacking in England, was transforming Bulgaria. Expelled on a trumped-up spying charge, he went to Washington, where he was an assistant to Guy Burgess ("a drunken name-dropper and totally use less to me in my work"). He chose to go to the Imperial Defence College, which later in-volved him with the intelligence

community. Perhaps his finest coup, years later, was when he persuaded Sir Alec Douglas-Home to expel 105 KGB men from the Russian embassy, despite threats of reprisals by the Soviets and bleats of

dismay from the Home Secretary.

A determination to seek posts unattractive to others was also shaping his life. At the UN he found that the diplomats imagined

they were running the work They exuded "a false bonhom: with loud mirthless laughter, and! was virtually impossible to hive a conversation without an arr being thrown round one's should?". He also became acquainted with the wilder shores of the Conmonwealth: General Amin askd him for aircraft to bomb President Nyerere. And then acciden again shaped his life. George Brown wanted to shake up the oreign Office. In his memoirs he sys that Greenhill "was not by anymeans the obvious candidate to ecome permanent under-secretary... But

it seemed to he that he had the cralities that that post required.

Greenhill gives the pain unoug foreign sectories to Alec Hore, with Michael Swart a creditable econd.

but retained a soft spot for frown. despite his insulting treatment of some senior colleagues. On evening in New York before linner with the Shah's sister, the zijon the foreign secretary's trouses got stuck, and he and Brown reaved together to make it close. Juring dinner Brown had to make a second retirement and on roum to the table gave Greenhill atrium-

phant thumbs up.
Nevertheless, Greenhill found
working for the Labour overnment disheartening. Labouministers, he thought, were ill a ease with the Soviets: they resmbled nonconformists meeting the Pope. One suspects that at heart Greenhill remains an Atunticist and a Euro-sceptic. He thicks we have been "consistently orsmarted" because we labour unter the illusion that we can charge EC rules laid down by the fedralists. On retirement, he joind the boards of several compares. He soon became convinced tat his Oxford tutor was wrong to inagine that he would have been better entrepreneur than a public ervant. More by Accident is availale from Daunt Books, 83 Marylebov High Street, London WIM4DE

#### o read these two books is to imbibe a deep draught of Scottish nonconformity. voured with a taste of Edwardian afternoons, Author of the first, Keir Hardie, is Tony Benn's wife Caroline, who has researched exhaustively among a mass of records, including newly available family leners. Author of the second is Margaret Stansgate, Benn's mother, who died aged 94 in 1991; and this, her autobiography, is most skilfully edited by Gillian

Shepherd. Keir Hardie, born in 1856. before the days of compulsory education, never went to school. At the age of eight he started work in Glasgow for a baker, earning 3/6d (nearly £5 today) a week, working 12 hours a day, seven days a week. There were a mother and two other children to support, as Hardie's stepfather had lost work through illness. When ten years old, he was one day a few moments late for work and was dismissed, with his last week's earnings deducted as a fine. His younger brother was dying, and his mother pregnant. So at ten he went down the pit to earn one shilling for a 12-hour day. His mother with some voluntary help taught him to read, but it was

taught himself to write fluently. Hardie became secretary of the miners' union local branch at 21; a paid organiser at 25, demanding an eight-hour day in the industry: and so secretary of the new Scottish Labour party in 1888 and MP for West Ham in 1892 as a United Liberal, Radical and Labour candidate. Caroline Benn, I am delighted to find, endorses the traditional

not till he was 17 that he had

# Cloth caps, Cliveden and the romance of socialism

Douglas Jay

KEIR HARDIE By Caroline Bean Hutchinson, £25 MY EXIT VISA An Autobiography By Margaret Stansgate

story that when Hardie first arrived as an MP at the Palace of Westminster in his cloth cap, a policeman asked him if he was working on the toof, and he replied: "No. On the Floor."

In his years in Parliament from 1892 till 1915, recounted in rich detail in this book, Hardie emerges as caring about practical reform rather than doctrine. He believed in Christian ethics and social justice, but distrusted theology equally with Marxist theory. His hero was Robert Burns. He was resolutely opposed to violence, and consistently championed equal rights for women, resistance to war (he opposed the 1914 war effort) and, not least, temperance. When leader of the first real Labour group in the 1906 parliament, he promulgated a rule that no Labour member should "be seen drinking in any House of Commons bar".

On arriving in the House,



Lady Stansgate: social justice

income, neither secretary nor office and a wife and three children to support in Scotland. He solved the problem for many years by speaking at public meetings for three guineas a time, at the rate of three or four speeches a week all over the country, travelling by train. It was a remarkable feat. But it left his wife supporting the household with £2 a ek or less.

He was not a practised debater. but spoke, some said like a Hebrew prophet, with a moral force which drew large audiences - almost on a Gladstonian scale. His parliamentary colleagues were critical. Ram-MacDonald, a tidy

hich Englishman

would you most like to recall from the

years ago, and rather shocked some bien pensant critics because it unearthed details of

Keynes's homosexual doings.

In this second volume, which

takes the story from The Economic Consequences of

the Peace to The General

having had an extraordinary

run of a vast number of

sources, public and private. In

the early 1920s Keynes sented

down. Gradually, the boy-

friends petered out. There was

a very funny episode with a

dotty secretary who thought

administrator, felt as if he had Moses as a colleague and complained: "We never know where to find him." But there is little doubt that the cumulative effect over the years of Hardie's oratory built up lasting public support for his

Hardie's enthusiasm for women's suffrage brought him into frequent contact with the clamorous Pankhurst family, and into a close intimacy with the young Sylvia Pankhurst. Some of the emotional correspondence between them suggests acute conflict in Hardie's mind. Today this might be thought welcome evidence of humanity amid the high moral principles. At the time, however, it bewildered his contemporaries. Caroline Benn concludes on the evidence that "whether they were lovers . . . must remain unknown". While Hardie was writing to

Sylvia from a tiny flat in Neville's Court, Asquith as PM was writing during Cabinet meetings to Venetia Stanley. When Margaret Stansgate. hitherto a fervent Asquithian, learnt of these "romantic" letters, she tells us in this biography that "had we, his [Asquith's] fervent supporters known this, we would surely have supported Lloyd

George for the premiership". Like this confession, Margaret Stansgate's memous are endearingly simple (almost, but not quite,

#### to marry Joseph Chamberlain: "She asked him whether people living in his house had to agree with his views. He said: That is so. So she settled for Sidney Webb." After William had joined Attlee's 1945 cabinet, Margaret discussed with Vi Attlee how the two of them could best help the government "We decided the best thing we could do was to improve our French." Edwardian mornings at

Cliveden: "The windows seemed to have a life of their own. When the maid brought in early morning tea, the vibrations sent the windows up." Altogether a faithful record of a long, harmonious marriage and political partnership combined.

#### Hardie found himself with no BARNES Creator of Carlotta Carlyle is a very great book about him. Its first volume came out ten The Snake Tatoo was a clear warning to Sue Grafton and Sara Paretsky that their long-held supremacy of the American feminist private eye novel was under threat. With Coyote, Barnesdestroys the duopoly and turns it into a ruling triumfeminate" Theory, personal details also come in profusion - Skidelsky Marcel Berlins, The Times NEW WAVE CRIME FICTION FROM Hodder & Stoughton Publishers

# Saving vile bodies from themselves

dead? I should myself choose Orwell, but Keynes would probably give more practical help. Keynes, in one view, her, Keynes then took up with a much-experienced Russian ballerina, Lydia Lopokova, saved capitalism from itself. who managed a remarkable and obviously happy contelling governments how to overcome slumps. He was undeniably a very great Englishman; Robert Skidelsky's

This rather irritated Keynes's smart Vile Bodies Bloomsbury friends, but marriage made him. As Skidelsky shows, it was associated with an enormous amount of work - philosophy. a Treatise on monetary economics, The General Theory, a tidal wave of journalism, innumerable appointments, and six-hourlong committee meetings at King's Cambridge, of which he was bursar. All of this was combined with advice to this or that government board and lecturing at Cambridge. The latter he hated, and I suspect that Skidelsky may treat Keynes's delivery of these lec-100 kindiy: Norman Stone

JOHN MAYNARD KEYNES The Economist as Saviour 1920-1937 By Robert Skidelsky Macmillan, £20

J. K. Galbraith remembers Keynes just reading out the galley-proofs of his *General* Theory. It was a prodigious record: how well people, in those days of truly disciplined schools, knew how to organise their time. For Keynes did cost-benefit analysis of people as he did of everything else, and never seems to have wasted effort.

In the present volume, which is much longer than the first, Skidelsky has to do with some rather intractable economic analysis and, quite properly, he gives a great deal of space to it. Some of this is inevitably hard work for noneconomists and we shall have to wait for Skidelsky's third and final volume for an overall summing-up of an important question: how do Keynesian ideas stand up in the 1990s?

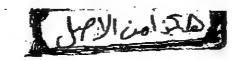
At any rate, the economists of the 1920s and 1930s wrote rather well and argued their cases clearly and factually. Keynes was proving that, in effect, thrift impoverished you: if you did not spend money on employing others, they would not then have the wherewithal to pay for the services you yourself had to sell. In the notso-long run, "capitalism" would consist of one man sitting on a huge pile of gold. surrounded by misery. Marx had said as much; Keynes looked for ways to rescue capitalism from him.

Not all economists agreed with Keynes - there was a famous collision with Hayek, who was sceptical about Keynes's wisdom on lines that anticipated the later scepticism of Milton Friedman and Tim Congdon. Was not the "stagflation" of the 1970s a verdict on the easy-answer Keynesian government spending pro-posed by The General Theory?

There is rather a depressing side to Skidelsky's book: the contrast with today. Keynes passed on to his many acolytes doxy and an instinctive feeling that there was some near. easy solution round the corner if only stupidity and "ortho-doxy" were pushed aside. The effect on the management of British public finance has not been healthy: you only need to compare it with the Bundesbank's doings in a post-war Germany that could not afford fancy finance. Another depressingfeature

is the temper and tyle of academic life. In the 1920s. Keynes drew £700 as his academic income - about what Virginia Woolf onsidered necessary for an itellect-ual. Today, that would be around £60,000 - ever more if tax calculations comein. But if Keynes were the profesor of economics at Cambride today, he would be earning after tax some £20,000. The Keynesian state has breau-cratised and proletarinised: why, is the question that 1 should put to a leynes brought back from the lead.

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economic and political crisis. The Porcupine has already been published in Bulgaria, for obvious reasors. Only one former communist leder has been brought to trial in Eatern Europe. In an article in The Times, Julian Barnes insisted that us novel was fiction, not "history a clef". "I had used the rough outline of Todor Zhivokov's trial, borrowed bits of the local topography, listened to Bulgarian riencs; but then I had gone off on income inventing the characters. making a plot out of a process, and 80 OL". His Bulgarian readers apparently found it difficult to recognise the demarcation between history and fiction. A novelist's "right" to exercise freedom of the

# Vengeance of a wily old guard

Caroline Moore admires a new novel by Julian Barnes them a somewhat flimsy liberty compared to the freedoms for which they had struggled.

which captures the mood of post-communist Bulgaria As a non-Bulgarian reader of novels, however, it is easy to see the

attractions from Barnes's point of no question here of hypocrisy: we listen in to his private thoughts, Nixon-esque in their obscene dehim the raw stuff of a terrific novel: nunciation of Gorbachev.

His opponent is intelligent, dull, sallow, nervous, flawed. Solinsky's career has been unglittering, his shifts in creed unheroic. He shed his early belief in communism via stages of alternating indecision and recklessness; his marriage to the daughter of an anti-fascist hero is now atrophying. He is all too aware of the difficulties of legally entrapping a man who has corrupted the law to suit his own needs; and uncomfortably conscious, too, of the weakness of the new order he is championing. Already, it has its own grey evasions, its own corruption of the language to gloss over human suffering.

"I am not here," he replies stiffly to Petkanov's taunts, "to discuss the difficulties inherent in the changeover from a controlled economy to a THE PORCUPINE By Jolian Barnes Jonathan Cape, £9.99

market economy." Necessity is the tyrant's plea; economic forces the capitalist's - which is not to say that communist tyranny and capitalism are at all the same. But if the champion of freedom is freer precisely because he can see the parallels, he is also weaker and in some ways more ignoble. He is fighting for a creed in which he cannot wholly trust. In this postcommunist society, Barnes implies, truth rarely lies in honest doubt. In the last writhings of the serpent, doubt and dishonesty are inextricably implicated, and hypocrisy is the last sting in the tail.

The contrast between these an-

flambovant anti-hero, crippled decency and sinewy lies, is, I suppose, obvious enough; but it is far from being a cliché. It is, rather, an archetype, capable of infinite permutations and imaginative resonances. In Barnes's version, decency is the casualty. The tragedy is that the trial becomes indeed "a show trial". as Solinsky's wife bitterly points out before she leaves him.

For all the novel's many strengths — its clarity and elegance, its humane intelligence — I was disappointed not to be more moved. by it. It starts, indeed, with an atmospheric tour-de-force, which suggests that Barnes's creative gination has been thoroughly fired by recent history. An old man in captivity is listening to the waves of sound from women clattering on pots and pans in the street below, "an eery funeral music of the kitchen" from "a sunflower field of yellow faces lit by candles which jumped at every drum stroke". They are not defying the incarcerated monster, however, but protesting at the food-shortages precipitated by his overthrow. Equally, the opening stages of the trial are shot through with fierce ironies, as Petkanov deploys the rhetoric of heroic resistance against an illegal state, refusing to recognise the authority of his judges.

Yet as the trial progresses, these ironies become oddły leached of humanity: effectively so, in a way. One could read the process as the final triumph of communism over Barnes's imagination. The first casualty is his prose. Barnes has brilliantly immersed himself in post-communist idioms. Communism, as one angry student puts it "corrupted even the words that come out of our mouths"; its legacy in Solinsky's mind is only the ability to "filter out bureaucratic distortions of the language". Increasingly, the novel is taken over by the two limiting sorts of discourse that remain: the stilted language of discredited official-

dom, and the reductive crudities of

Petkanov's private monologues. The second casualty is character. Barnes faces this problem with his usual percipience. Solinsky, thwarted in his attempts to understand Petkanov, wonders whether "we have moved into an era when 'character' is a misleading concept". Neither a liberal nor a novelist, of course, can accept that character is a "bourgeois" error: and Solinsky cannot meet Petkanov without succumbing to the primary human emotions: "curios-

ity, expectation, bafflement". The problem is that the bafflement may in the end wear down the other two emotions. Even Barnes's students become bored with the trial when it does not satisfy their human bust for the dramas of knowledge and revenge. And if Petkanov is ultimately incomprehensible, a phenomenon rather than a character, his prosecutor remains a cipher. Even the disintegration of his marriage is bloodless, for the relationship between Solinsky and Maria was effectively over before the novel

This is an excellent novel, but a lean, cerebral one, which, for all its brilliant subtlety, remains paradigmatic. It is superbly humane in its moral concerns, vet strangely lacking in richness and humanity.

# The grocer's lad who invented modern art

view. Events in Bulgaria offered

the courtroom drama - a genre

which rarely fails to grip - would

provide a form which could encom-

pass and focus urgent moral and

political complexities: a clash of

creeds could be explored through

trial is pared down quintessentially

to a struggle between two men:

Petkanov and the Prosecutor Gen-

eral, Peter Solinsky. Petkanov is

slippery and with low peasant

cunning, robustly foul-mouthed.

He is a devastating debunker of the

illusions, frailties and follies of

others, but remains invincibly

locked into his own communist

vision of the world. He is utterly

corrupt, sneeringly cynical; yet his

belief in the march of the Interna-

tional Socialist Revolution is un-

feigned and monolithic. There is

In Barnes's fiction, indeed, the

invented personalities.

he Rockies may crumble, Gibraltar may tumble, and even Impressionist prices at auction are not what they used to be. Bit then they never really were, once he auctioneers' secret loans, extended credits and the like have been taken into account. Such fluctuations have not affected the feelings of the public at large. The Impressionists are still top of the pops. Far and away the bestattented London show in recent times has been the Royal Academy's splendid Monet in the 90s:

The Serial Paintings. In to important sense has the Impossionist bubble burst: no one seriously thinks that a few way out of lire prices paid (or apparently paid) by those eager to buy publicity rathe than art made the Impressioniss better, or that their cessation nakes them worse. Once the initial strangeness of their idiom wore off (which it did very quickly). the Inpressionists have been as-suredthe love of most critics and a masse general public, neither of whon are likely to be art buyers on that cale anyway. For critics the popularity is because they were rebels for the general public it is because their colours are warm and vibrast, their subjects easy to take and usually rather pretty. Both are parti right, but oversimplify and look or easy answers where there

The most popular artist of them all, Aonet, is a case in point. Cézame's famous dictum about him sticks in the memory, and sometimes in the throat. "Just an damning in an age when we want

our artists to be verbally intelligent. Monet wrote very few letters of any significance, and as a Grand Old Man he tends to be gnomic on the subject of his own work and the Ideas behind it. It is therefore often assumed that Monet had great instincts but no intelligence. Those who seek, on the other hand, to present him now as a great thinker about art tend to be betrayed by

John Russell Taylor

THE COLOUR OF TIME Claude Monet By Virginia Spate Thames and Hudson, £38

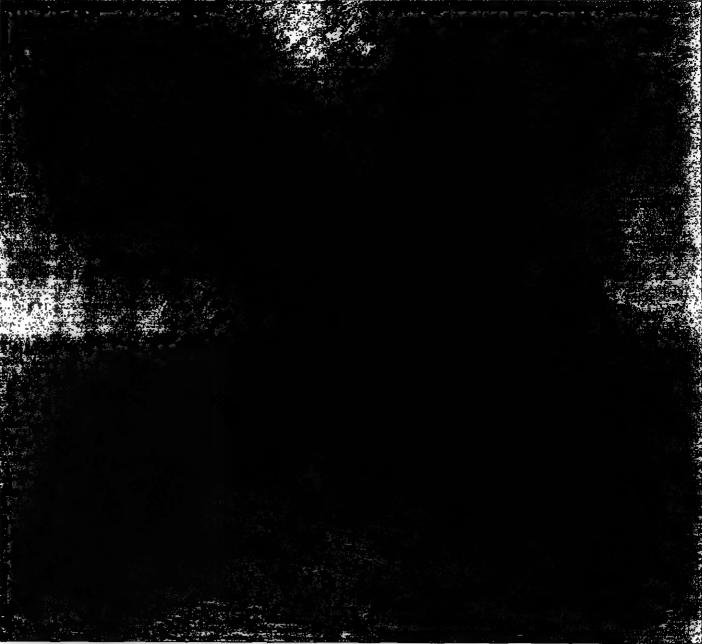
lack of material. Though Monet was the friend of literary men, and of eloquent politicians like Clemenceau, and could express himself perfectly clearly in words when he chose, the fact remains that he seldom chose to. Several of the published correspondences are decidedly one-sided; flowing dissertations on every subject under the sun may be the rule from his opposite number, while he replies in brief practical notes, or gets his companion and later wife Alice Hoschede to write instead.

As the lives of artists go, Monet's was quite interesting. He was grocer's in Le Havre and seems to have acquired a similar canniness in business matters. As a local child prodigy, he got attention early. His beginnings as a professional artist eye - but what an eye!" It sounds in Paris were nonetheless fraught with the usual difficulties: lack of

money, family mistrust, the necessi-ty to conceal his first romantic relationship with a model and the birth of their first child, in case a disapproving family should cut off his main means of support. But like most of the Impressionists, he later married the woman, legitimised the son, and became respectable. Although he was to go through difficult periods, he had laid the foundations of bourgeois success, and it is no surprise to discover that

he was selling well and living in some style already in his thirties. His early middle life was complicated by his relationship with the wife of one of his patrons, whose family and (presumably) favours he took over when the husband disapeared into bankruptcy. During the 1880s, the decade in question, he travelled a lot, but settled down to patriarchal life in Giverny and cultivating his garden by the end of that decade, elected early to be the Grand Old Man. It would be a recognisable life-pattern for a solid academic painter, not leaving much room for soul. But it must have been all an elaborate protection for his real obsession, which was the painting of light in a way no one had ever done before.

Virginia Spate rehearses the known facts, but wisely concentrates on the inner life as it is revealed in the paintings, without DOUBLETING TO LOTCE TOO MAILY connections between the facade and the interior. It is the best way. Monet may well have been secretive as a man, but on canvas he is free to let himself be known. Why should we ask of an artist any more



The Houses of Parliament, sun shining through a gap in the fog (1904): a late study of one of Monet's favourite subjects (© RNN)

# Crowned heads and coronets

1789 sounded the knell for the French aristocracy. L it was also a toosin for the arisperatic system of Europe as 1 whole. Although the Corgress of Vienna in 1815 reinposed the ancien régime threighout the Continent ther could be little doubt that the old order had been breached beyond repair.

The challenge that faced the arisperacies of Europe at the beginning of the 19th century was wofold: to adapt to a new political role (which in effect meant a graceful strategic withirawall, and to survive financially the changes brought about by the Industial Revolution.

Diminic Lieven uses the Gernany and Russia to illustrate varying responses to this challenge, arguing that to spread his net any wider would entail snagging it on too many exception: and anomalies. Although one longs to knov how Sicilian or Hungariin grandees reacted as well, one has to concede that ie is right to restrict his field As it is, any synthesis is bedevilled by questions of terminology, and determiring comparative weath is complicated by fluctuating values of

currencies. Buadly speaking the arisocracy in England was weather in 1815 than in Rusia, let alone in Germany, where by comparison it was astmishingly poor. By the middle of the century, however, he Russians had dropped far behind, and by 1900 seviral German aristocrats had outstripped them and drawn level with their English counterparts. Land was traditionally the safest investment and the surest form of income. But economic change and unsable markets rendered the landowner vulnerable. Only those who diversified into urben property, industry and

Adam Zamoyski

THE ARISTOCRACY IN EUROPE 1815-1914 By Dominic Lieven Macmillan. £10.99 pbk **EDWARD AND** ALEXANDRA Their Private and Public Lives By Richard Hough Hodder & Stoughton, £25



The Prince of Wales, later Edward VII, aged five, by Winterhalter

their own by profiting from every economic situation. The English had done this early, the Germans rather late, but the Russians never managed it successfully. In all three countries, the very rich drew far ahead of the next tier of wealthy gentry.

In the political field, the English enjoyed far greater power than their foreign counterparts at the start of the century, but it was constitutionally-based and could therefore be shared or given away piecemeal without precipitating dangerous upheavals. The prerogatives of the German and the Russian aris-

tocracies were based on ancient rights and serfdom respectively, neither of which lent themselves to gradual change. As the French discovered in the 1790s, ideological prerogatives are most easily cut down on the scaffold. The English aristocracy also managed, through a unique combination of legislation. patronage and economic relationships, to maintain control

of the army and, most importantly, of the countryside. The Russians had lost control of both, with disastrous consequences in 1905 and Dominic Lieven's broad

understanding of the sub-ject and his pleasing sense of humour yield many surprising insights. He points out that while it was far less "modern" in most respects, the Russian aristocracy was culturally preeminent, producing a crop of giants of literature and music. And if the English and the Russians are reputed to have been more lavish and eccentric, it should be remembered that it was a German who imported kangaroos in order to liven

up his shoots. The ruling dynasties of the three countries were faced by much the same political challenge, and all three failed, royally and imperially, to face up to them.

The Romanovs muddled along, gradually alienating even their court. The more enterprising Hohenzollerns tried to combine aggressive modernity with archaism, and fared little better. The British monarchy was saved only because the English aristocracy and middle-classes found it convenient, and themselves managed to control political change. It was certainly netther Queen Victoria, whose stubbornness and aloofness provoked a republican crisis in 1871, nor the ineffectual if popular Edward VII who saved the monarchy at a time

of revolution. There is something deeply athetic about the lives of figures such as Nicholas II and Edward VII. They were nice chaps who meant well. They were on the whole more compassionate than the societles over which they reigned. yet they could do practically nothing but hang on, trying to be good "fathers" to subjects who were increasingly independent of spirit.

Edward VII was an amiable character, and his notorious vices — gluttony, philandering and gambling — are hardly very objectionable. They, and his schoolboy urge to play with the fire-brigade, were in large part the consequence of a dreadful childhood dominated by the tiresome meddling of his mother and the asinine principles of his father, and of his being kept hanging about with nothing to do for most of

his active life.

Richard Hough's new biography of Bertie and his wife Alexandra is a well-researched and well-mannered account. aimed presumably at the same people who study the present Prince and Princess of Wales' every move and outfit. I could have done with fewer adjectives — the women are all beautiful, charming, slender or graceful, the men splendid. fine, jolly or dashing - but then I am not the sort of person who gets goose-pim-ples from learning that when a member of the crowd came forward and kissed Alexandra's hand, "she was not in the

least out out". This book is timely in that it reminds one of the scandals and unfavourable publicity that attended poor Bertie during his long wait for the throne, and it will give comfort to those who fear the present spate of (comparatively insignificant) scandals might damage the monarchy irreparably.

Count Zamopski's The Last King of Poland has just been published by Secker & Warburg.

A ndrew Marr's first book is a very good one:
Let us start at the sunset of an Empire, with a long-haired Englishman, in a baggy suit, in the House of Commons, one May night in 1912..." Not the beginning of a historical novel, but of a serious study of Scottish politics. Marr believes that the Asquithian parliament was engaged in an argument that we could pick up today "al-most without taking breath". The argument is about a small north European nation "battling to create a political and constitutional settlement that would make it feel secure and

content with its place in the

Though Marr admits to an occasional lapse from "report-erly dryness", his writing is sharply even-handed. He is not a nationalist, but he is a Home Ruler, because he holds to self-determination: "a principle regarded as a benign commonplace when applied beyond Britain but as vicious heresy when applied within the island". He does not believe the argument will necessarily end in self-government. He is clear that politics is less important than friendship, good books and high mountains; but he suspects that if Scotland were "to abdicate from the political", it would be rejecting "a whole world of social and intellectual choice that most societies find they need".

The Manufacture of Scottish History is a symposium on aspects of Scottish historiography. The book appears in the Determinations series, an enterprise attracting Scottish Arts Council subsidy, its editorial (and political) thrust is indicated by earlier titles in the series such as A Woman's Claim of Right in Scotland, The Eclipse of Scottish Culture and Towards Independ-

The editors have not turned solely to professional historians. The writer George Rosie is entertaining about the heritage industry, noting the ob-session with Burns, the relish with which the National Trust for Scotland chronicles the

# O Caledonia! stern and wild

Ian McIntyre

THE BATTLE FOR SCOTLAND By Andrew Mart Penguin, £5.99 pbk THE MANUFACTURE OF SCOTTISH HISTORY Edited by Ian Donnachie and Christopher Whatley Polygon, £8.95pbk ANATOMY OF SCOTLAND Edited by Magnus Linklater and Robin Denniston Chambers, £15.99

slaughter of the English at Bannockburn, "Museumry's apparent reluc-tance to mark Scottish enthusiasm for religion".

Michael Fry (the author, in Andrew Marr's view, of the best book on Scottish politics), is the only contributor from right of centre. He is unimpressed by the newer Scottish historiography, much of which "parrots a simple-mind-ed leftist line" that the story of modern Scotland consists largely of capitalist oppression

- except, that is, "where it

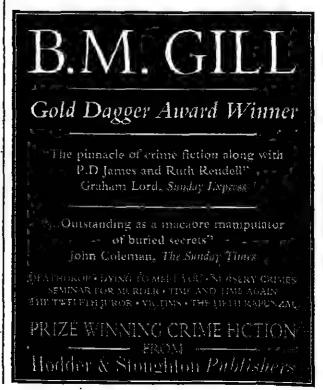
parrots a simple-minded nationalist line that the story consists largely of English oppression". Fry deplores the belief that the essential historical realities are the relations of social classes and the lives of the anonymous masses. There is no need for Scottish historians to compete "in dredging the lower depths of history from below, and in hauling up out of oblivion all the submerged groups: women, ethnic minorities, sexual deviants. criminals and lunatics".

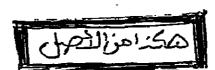
No such pungency irrigates the pages of the third of these books. The title Anatomy of Scotland courts comparison with Anthony Sampson's 1962 bestseller. Sampson, approached for a pre-publication endorsement, obliges with an ingenious Pickwickianism: "This will be an invaluable book for Scotsminded readers wherever they may be." That conjures a picture of a British Council reading room in Eastern Anatolia, the local Scotophile population jostling eagerly for a sight of the list of Scottish Permanent Under-Secretaries of State since 1885. That may well be where this uncompel ling bouillabaisse of journalism in hard covers finds its

widest readership. Sampson was strong on

personalities and opinions; the articles here (many of them by Scotsman journalists) shy away from all but the most superficial exploration of issues. We read that "education as a serious political issue in modern times dates from the 1964 general election, when Labour leader Harold Wilson promised voters a better future via technological progress". This will cause surprise, and possibly offence, in Anatolia, where the cult of Rab Butler remains strong. Sampson worked at high

speed and alone, offering himself as "an informal guide to a living museum". He was also entertaining, gracing one chapter with a crisp epigraph by Lord Milverton: "The ideal committee is one with me as chairman, and two other members in bed with flu." Magnus Linklater, editor of The Scotsman, should have instructed most of his contributors to go down with flu and knocked the book off himself. Better still, he could have pointed his publishers in the direction of Andrew Marr.





### **Human Rights Law Report**

# Freedom to receive and impart information violated by Ireland

Open Door Counselling Ltd and Dublin Well Woman Centre Ltd v (Case no 64/1991/316/387 388)

Before R. Ryssdal, President and Judges J Cremona, Thor Vilhialmsson, F. Golcuklu, F. Matscher, L.-E. Pettiti, R. Macdonald, C. Russo, R. Bernhardt, A. K. Martens, E. Palm, I. Foighel, R. Pekkanen, A. N. Loizou, J. M. Morenilla, F. Bigi, Sir John Freeland, A. Baka, M. A. Lopes Rocha and J. Blayney, ad hoc judge Registrar M. A. Eissen

(Judgment October 29) An injunction granted by the Irish Supreme Court restraining counselling agencies from inter alia, providing pregnant women with information concerning abortion facilities abroad violated the applicants' right to receive and impart information as guaranteed by article 10 of the European Convention on Human Rights, the Europear Court of Human Rights held, by 15

Article 10 of the Convention provides: "I Everyone has the right to freedom o expression This right shall include freedom to hold opinions and to receive and impart information and ideas without interference by public authority

and regardless of frontiers.

2 The exercise of these freedoms, since it carries with it duties and responsibilities, may be subject to such nenalties as are prescribed by law and are necessary in a democratic society, in the interests of national security, territorial integrity or public safety, for the prevention of disorder or crime, for the protection of health or morals, for the protection of the reputation or rights of

Two applications were lodged with the European Commission of Human Rights in August and September 1988: the first by Open Door Counselling Ltd. a company which was engaged, inter-alia, in non-directive counselling of pregnant women in Ireland concerning, if requested, the possibility of obtaining abortions in Great Britain.

The second was brought by Dublin Well Woman Centre Ltd. a company involved in similar activities. Ms Bonnie Maher, a citizen of the USA who worked as a trained counsellor for the Weil Woman Centre, Ms Ann Downes, an Irish citizen, who also worked as a counsellor there, Mrs X and Ms Maeve Geraghty, both Irish citizens of childbearing age.

Pollowing proceedings brought

against the applicant companies by the Attorney-General at the request of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, the Irish Supreme Court, on March 16, 1988, found that such non-March 16, 1988, found that such non-directive counselling assisted in the destruction of the life of the unborn, contrary to the constitutional right to life of the unborn expressly guaranteed by article 40.3.30 of the Constitution of

Article 40.3.30 (the eighth amend-Article 40.3.30 (the eighth amend-ment), which came into force in 1983 following a referendum, provides: "The State acknowledges the right to life of the unborn and, with due regard to the equal right to life of the mother, guarantees in its laws to respect, and, as far as practicable, by its laws to defend and vindicate that right."

An injunction was granted restraining the applicant companies and their nant women within the jurisdiction to travel abroad to obtain abortions by referral to a clinic, by the making for them of travel arrangements, or by informing them of the identity and location of and the method of commu-nication with a specified clinic or clinics

The applications to the Commission were joined and declared admissible on May 15, 1990. Having attempted unsuccessfully to secure a friendly settlement the Commission drew up a report on March 7, 1991 in which it established the free in which it established lished the facts and expressed the opinion by 8 votes to 5, that there had been a violation of article 10 in respect of the Supreme Court injunction of March 16, 1988 as it affected the applicant companies, Ms Maher and Ms
Downes: by 7 votes to b. that there had been a violation of article 10 in so far as the injunction affected the applicants Mrs X and Ms Geraghty: by 7 votes to 2, with 4 abstentions, that it was not necessary to examine further the comalleging that the injunction constituted a violation of the right to privacy guaranted by article 8 of the Conven-tion: and unanimously, that there had been no violation of articles 8 and 14 in respect of the first applicant company which had alleged discriminatory treatment, in that only women were affected by the denial of information concerning

The case was referred to the Court by the Commission on April 24, 1991 and by the Government of Ireland on July 3,

In its judgment, the European Court of Human Rights held: I Scope of Dublin Well Woman case In their pleadings before the Court, Dublin Well Woman and the two counsellors complained, for the first time, that there had also been a breach

The Court recalled that the scope of its in ecour recalled mat the scope of its jurisdiction was determined by the Commission's decision declaring the application admissible. It considered that the article 8 claim was a new and separate complaint which it had no jurisdiction to entertain:

Il Government's preliminary

The Government submitted that only The Government submitted that only the corporate applicants could claim to be victims of an infringement of their Convention rights. The Court considered unanimously that Ms Maher and Ms Downes could claim to be victims since they were directly affected by the Supreme Court injunction.

As to Mrs X and Mrs Geraghty it As to Mrs X and Mrs Geraghty it found, by 15 votes to 8, Judges Marscher, Petitic Russo, Lopes Rochu, Bigi, Blayney, Baka and Cremona dissenting, that they could claim to be vicins since they belonged to a class of women of child-bearing age which might be adversely affected by the restrictions imposed by the injunction.

At the oral hearing before the Court, the Government submitted that the lication should be rejected under article 26 of the Convention for failure to comply with the six-month rule on the ground that the applicants were relying on case law and arguments which we not raised before the domestic courts. The Court found unanimously that as

rule 48, paragraph 1, of the Rules of Court required a party to file pleadings before the expiry of the time limit laid down for the filing of its memoral, that plea was made out of time, and it had to

The Government further contended that domestic remedies had not been exhausted by Open Door as to its complaints under articles 8 and 14, by Open Door and Dublin Well Woman in so far as they sought to introduce evidence and submissions concerning abortion and the impact of the Suprem Court injunction on women's health that had not been raised before the Irish courts, by the four individual applicants, on the ground that they had made no attempt to exhaust domestic remedies

The Court rejected that plea unani-mously on the basis that Open Door would have had no prospect of success in asserting these complaints having regard to the reasoning of the Sup Court, that Open Door and Dublin Well Woman were not introducing a fresh complaint but merely developing their submissions in respect of complaints that had already been examined by the Irish courts, that any action brought by the four individual applicants would

have had no prospect of success. III Alleged violation of article 10 A Was there interference with

applicants' rights?
The Court noted that the Government accepted that the injunction interfered with the freedom of the corporate applicants to impart information. It also found that there was an interference with the rights of the applicant cour-sellors to impart information and the rights of Mrs X and Ms Geraghty to

To determine whether such an inter-ference entailed a violation of article 10, the Court had to examine whether or not it was justified under article 10, para-graph 2, by reason of being a restriction prescribed by law which was necessary in a democratic society on one or other of the grounds therein specified.

B Prescribed by law?

Taking into consideration the high threshold of protection of the unborn provided under Irish law generally and the manner in which the courts had interpreted their role as the guarantors of constitutional rights, the Court found that the possibility that action might be taken against the corporate applicants must have been, with appropriate legal advice, reasonably foreseeable.

That conclusion was reinforced by the legal advice which was actually given to Dublin Well Woman that, in the light of article 40.3.30, an injunction could be sought against its counselling activities. restriction was thus prescribed by

The Court found that the protection afforded under Irish law to the right to life of the unborn was based on profound moral values concerning the nature of life which were reflected in the stance of the majority of the Irish people against abortion as expressed in the 1983 referendum.

The restriction thus pursued the legitimate aim of the protection of morals of which the protection in Ireland of the right to life of the unborn consider it necessary in the light of that conclusion to decide whether the term "others" in article 10.2 extended to the

D Necessary in a democratic society The Government submitted that the Court's approach to the assessment of the necessity of the restraint had to be guided by the fact that the protection of the rights of the unborn in Ireland could be derived from articles 2, 17 and 60 of the Conversion. It was further con-tended that the proportionality test was madequate where the rights of the unhorn were at issue The Court examined those issues:

The Court observed that it was not called upon to examine whether a right of abortion was guaranteed under the Convention or whether the focus was encompassed by the right to life as contained in article 2.

The applicant fid ant claim that the

The applicants did not claim that the Convention contained the right to abortion, as such, their complaint being limited to that part of the injunction which restricted the freedom to impart abortion abroad.

The Court recalled that the state's discretion in the field of protection of morals was not unlettered and unreviewable (see mutatis mutandis, Norris v Ireland (The Times October 31, 1988; Series A. No 142, p20, parameter 450. graph 45)).
The national authorities enjoyed a

wide margin of appreciation in matters of morals, particularly in an area such as the present which concerned maners of belief concerning the nature of human

As the Court had observed before, it had been not possible to find in the legal and social orders of the contracting states a uniform European conception of morals, and the state authorities were, in principle, in a better position than the international judge to give an opinion on the exact content of the requirements of morals as well as on the necessity of a restriction or penalty intended to meet them (see: inter alia, Handyside v UK of December 7, 1976 (Series A No 24, p22, paragraph 48) and Muller and Others v Switzerland of May 24, 1988 The Times June 4, 1988; Series A No. 133. p22. paragraph 35)).

However, that power of appreciation was not unlimited and it was for the court to supervise whether a restriction was compatible with the Convention. As to the application of the proporality test, it was, in principle, the national authorities to take such action as they considered necessary to respect the rule of law or to give effect to constitutional rights, but they had to do with their obligations under the Convention and subject to review by the

Accordingly, the Court had to examine the question of necessity in the light of the principles developed in its case law (see, inter alia. Observer and Guardian v UK of November 26, 1991 (The Times

pp29-30, paragraph 59).
It had to determine whether there

existed a pressing social need for the measures in question and, in particular, whether the restriction complained of was proportionate to the legitimate aim

In that context, the Court recalled that freedom of expression was also ap-plicable to information or ideas that offend, shock or disturb the state or any sector of the population.

In addition, limitations on informain addition, imitations on indition tion concerning activities which, not-withstanding their moral implications, had been and continued to be tolerated by national authornies, call for careful scrutiny by the Convention institutions as to their conformin with the moets of a

The Court was first struck by the absolute nature of the Supreme Court injunction which imposed a perpenual restraint on the provision of information to pregnant women concerning abor-tion facilities abroad regardless of age or state of health or their reasons for seeking counselling on the termination of pregnancy. On that ground alone the restriction appeared over-broad and disproportionate.

Moreover that assessment was confirmed by other factors. in the first place, the corporate applicants were engaged in the coursel-ling of pregnant women in the course of

which counsellors neither advocated nor encouraged abortion. but confined themselves to an explanation of the available options. The decision as to whether or not to act on the information so provided was that of the woman In the second place, information concerning abortion facilities abroad

could be obtained from other sources in Ineland such as magazines and telephone directories or by persons with contacts in Great Britain. The information that the injunction sought to restrict was therefore already available else-where, although in a manner which was not supervised by qualified personnel and thus less protective of women's

Finally, the available evidence, which had not been disputed by the Government, suggested that the injunction had created a risk to the health of those women who at the time of the Court's judgment were seeking abortions at a later stage in their pregnancy, due to tack of proper counselling, and who were not availing themselves of cuscomary medical supervision after the abortion had taken place.

had more adverse effects on women who were not sufficiently resourcefu of who had not the necessary level of estation in have access to alternative surces of

information. 3 Articles 17 and 60 The Government invoking arcles : 7 and 60 of the Convention, admired that article 10 should not be interpreted in such a manner as to limit, distroy or derogate from the right to life of the

unborn which enjoyed special potection under Irish law.
Without calling into questic: under the Convention the regime of precion of unborn life that existed uncer Irish law, the Court recalled that the injunction did not prevent Irish womin from having abortions abroad and hat the

information it sought to restrict was available from other sources. Accordingly, it was not the interpreta-tion of article 10 but the position in Ireland as regards the implementation of the law that made possive the continuance of the current Ael of abortions obtained by Irish somen

The Court thus concluded, by 5 vites to 8. Judges Cremona. Mischer, Blayney. Baka, Petitii, Russo, Lopes Rocha and Bigt dissenting, that the restraint imposed on the applicants from receiving and impacting information was disproportionate to the aims pursued. Accordingly there haddeen a breach of article 10. breach of article 10.

IV Alleged violations of article 8 and Having regard to its finding that there had been a breach of article 0. the Court considered that it was not necessary to examine the remaining complaints under articles S and 14 rade by Dublin Well Woman, Open Dorr, Mrs

V Application of article 50
The Court, by 17 votes to 6 Judges
Matscher, De Meyer and four other judges dissenting, awarded Duhin Well Woman 1RE25,000 for loss of inome as a result of the injunction. It unani-mously accepted Open Door's caim for costs and expenses incurred in both the domestic and Strusbourg procedings and awarded IRE68,985.75 ks the amounts already paid by way of Igal aid in respect of fees.

The Court also ananimously assessed in part, the claims of Dubin Well Woman for reimbursement of the costs and expenses it had incorred in both the domestic and Strasbourg procedings. It awarded Dublin Well Voman IRE100,000 less the sums alrealy paid by way of legal aid in respect of res and

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Moreover, the injunction might have

# Pleading autrefois convict

#### Richards v The Queen

Before Lord Kelth of Kinkel, Lord Bridge of Harwich. Lord Goff of Chieveley, Lord Lowry and Lord Slynn of Hadley

Judgment October 191

A plea of autrefols convict could only be sustained by evidence that the offence with which the defendant stood charged had already been the subject of a complete adjudication against him by a court of competent jurisdiction comprising both the decision was the decision of the court or of the jury or the entry of his own case by the court by passing sentence or making some other order such as an order of absolute

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council so held in dismissing an appeal by the appellant, Lloydell Richards, from the dismissal on April 10, 1987, by the Court of Appeal of Jamaica of his appeal against his conviction on December 13, 1983 for murder. Mr Peter Thornton, QC, for the appellant; Mr Glen Andrade, QC, DPP Jamaica, and Mr Kent

LORD BRIDGE said that the appellant was charged on indictment with murder. When he was arraigned, he pleaded guilty to manslaughter and counsel stated in open court that the Crown was

Pantry, Deputy DPP Jamaica, for

The Director of Public Prosecutions considered that the plea of guilty to manslaughter should not have been accepted and decided to

discontinue the proceedings in accordance with his powers so that

the appellant could be charged with the murder on a tresh Accordingly, at the adjourned hearing a nolle prosequi was entered. The appellant was sub-

The Court of Appeal dismissed his appeal against conviction and he appealed. The central issue was whether a plea of autrefois convict could be sustained. Mr Thornton submitted that no more was required to sustain the plea than that the court before whom the defendant had previously been charged should have decided his guilt, whether by the court, where it was the tribunal

that effect, by the return of a guilty verdict by the jury or by the acceptance of a plea of guilty. There was a curious conflict of authority which their Lordships

It had been said many times that the word "conviction" was ambiguous and it had sometimes been construed in a statutory context as referring to nothing more than a finding of guilt.

in the context which suggested that narrower meaning, the authorities Defending counsel sought an in the nineteenth century and adjournment in order to call earlier all seem to point to the

conviction proof not only of the finding of guilt but also of the court's final adjudication by sentence or other order was required. It was not until 1936 that any court sustained a plea of autrefois convict on the basis of a finding of guilt alone. The first such case was R v Sheridan (1937) 1 KB 223), which was followed in R v Grant (1936) 2 All ER 1156) Those two

cases represented the high watermark of Mr Thornton's been overruled, they had attracted strong adverse criticism. That was in S (an Infant) v Recorder of

> in which Lord Upjohn had said that the law plainly took the wrong turning in Sheridan. Their Lordships' conclusion, in agreement with Lord Upiohn, was that the law did take the wrong turning in Sheridan and that Sheridan and Grant were wrongly decided. They reached that condu sion both on consideration of the authorities and on principle.

The underlying rationale of autrefols convict was to prevent duplication of punishment. But if the plea could be supported by a finding of guilt alone, a defendant Where a defendant was tried

before judge and jury, both had their roles to play and together they II, in any case following trial and conviction by the jury, the judge were to die before passing sen-tence, there would be no court seised of the case by which sentence could be passed. The defendant would have to be rearraigned before another court

and if he again pleaded not guilty would have to be retried. It would be abourd that he should be able to plead the jury's verdict in the first trial as a bar to the second. In the case of autrefois acquit the position was different, because the jury's verdict of not guilty was a final adjudication and disposal of

the case and the judge had no further function to perform. The need for finality of adjudication by the court whose decision was relied on to found a plea of

autrefols convict was even more clearly apparent where a defendant had pleaded guilty.

Not only might the defendant be permitted, in the discretion of the court, to change that plea at any plea of guilty to a lesser offence than that charged had initially been accepted by the prosecutor with the approval of the court, there could be no finality in that acceptance until sentence was passed. R v Emmanuel (1981) 74

Their Lordships recommended that the appeal should be dismissed, but expressed their opinion that in all the circumstances and having regard, in particular, to the lapse of time between trial and the determination of the appeal, it would be wholly appropriate that the death sentence should be commu Solicitors: Simons Mulrhead &

Kelly v Cooper and Another Before Lord Keith of Kinkel, Lord Ackner, Lord Browne-Wilkinson, Lord Mustill and Lord Slynn of

[Judgment October 19] It was the business of an estate agent to act for numerous prin-cipals and therefore there was an implied term of the contract with such agent that he was entitled to act for other principals selling competing properties and to keep confidential the information obrained from each of them. The Judicial Committee of the

Privy Council so held in dismissing an appeal by the appellant plain tiff. Horace Brenton Kelly, from the judgment of the Court of Appeal of Bermuda which on November 30, 1989, had allowed an appeal by the respondent duties to their principals. ants, Margot Cooper and Helen Cooper (trading as Cooper Associates) from the judgment of Mr Justice Hull in the Supreme Court of Bermuda (Civil Jurisdic-tion). The Court of Appeal had set aside the award of \$200,000 damages to the plaintiff and had given judgment for the defendants on their counterclaim for com-mission on the sale of the property. Mr David Oliver, QC and Mr Robert Powell-Jones for the plain-

tiff: Mr Kenneth Rokison, QC and Mr Geoffrey Bell, QC, of the Bermuda Bar, for the defendants. LORD BROWNE-WIL-KINSON said that the plaintiff of Caliban, a house in Bermuda. Adjacent to it was a house, Vertigo,

belonging to Mr Brant.
The plaintiff appointed the defendants as agents to sell his house and they were to be paid commission based on the selling price. They were also instructed by Mr Brant as agents to sell Vertigo. In 1985 an American, Mr Ross Perot, approached the defendants with a view to purchasing property, and they showed him Caliban and Vertigo. He made an offer of US\$2 million for Vertigo which was accepted. He made an offer of \$2.5 million gross for Caliban. Mrs Helen Cooper informed the plainoff of that offer but at no tin

ntracts for the sale of both properties were exchanged and completion took place. The pur-chaser of Caliban was expressed to be Mr Perors son. When the plaintiff discovered that Mr Perot and his family had bought both Caliban and Vertigo the plaintiff took the view that the defendants should have told him of the Pernts' interest in both properties, being his sale of Caliban.

the defendants tell him of Mr

He brought an action against the defendants claiming damages for breach of contract and fiduciary duties and they counterclaimed for their commission. The judge found in favour of the plaintiff but

decision.

The judge was entitled to find that it was a material fact that the Perot family were interested in buying Vertigo as well as Caliban. The purchase of either property was not made legally conditional on the purchase of the other, but the fact that Mr Perot was trying to buy both properties simultabuy both properties simulta-neously, and that the family in fact did so, was sufficient ground on which the judge could draw the inference that the Peross might attach importance to acquiring both properties. If a purchaser was

properties there was a special market in which he might, but not necessarily would, pay over the ordinary price to achieve his objective. Mr Peror's interest in buying both properties was a material factor which could have influenced

the negotiations for the price at which Caliban was sold. Was there any contractual duty on the defendants to disclose that material fact to the plaintiff? The resolution of the case depended on two fundamental propositions: between principal and agent; secand, like every other contract, the rights and duties of the principal and agent were dependent upon the terms of the contract between them, whether express or implied.

In a case where a principal instructed as selling agent for his property or goods a person who to his knowledge acred and intended to act for other principals selling property or goods of the same lescription, the terms to be implied into such agency contract would differ from those to be implied where an agent was not carrying on such general agency

Where estate agents acted for principals whose properties were of a similar description, there would

concerned to attract potential purchasers to their property rather than that of another. Yet, despite that conflict of

interest, estate agents had to be free to act for several competing principals otherwise they would be unable to perform their function. In the course of acting for each principal estate agents would acquire information confidential to that principal. It could not sensibly be suggested that an estate agent was contractually bound to disclose to any one of nformation which was confidential to another of his principals.

The position as to confidentiality was even clearer in the case of stockbrokers who could not be contractually bound to disclose to their private clients inside information disclosed to the brokers in confidence by a company for which they also acted.

Accordingly in such cases there had to be an implied term of the contract that the agent was entitled to act for other principals and to keep confidential information ob-Similar considerations applied to the fiduciary duties of agents.

The existence and scope of those duties depended on the terms on which they were acting. The scope of the tiduciary duties

in a position where their city and their interest conflicted, wite to be defined by the terms of the xintract

The defendants committed no breach of duty, whether ontractual or fiduciary, by failing to reveal to the plaintiff Mr Peror's interest in buying Vertigo since such information was confidential to Mr Brant. Nor did the let that cial interest in securing a ale of Vertigo constitute a brech of fiduciary duty since the contact of agency envisaged that they might bave such a conflict of interes.

Their Lordships recommended that the appeal should be dismissed.

## Tribunal cannot discipline for statutory offence

Regina v Milk Marketing Board, Ex parte Brook 9quarely within the Theft Act 1978. The board's central conten-Before Mr Justice Hutchison

[Judgment October [6] The disciplinary committee of the Milk Marketing Board had no power to entertain charges against a milk producer under the Agri-cultural Marketing Act 1958 where the real nature of what was alleged constituted an offence under a statutory provision.

Mr Justice Hutchison so held in the Queen's Bench Division in a reserved judgment allowing an application by Stephen Brook and quashing the decision of the disciplinary committee of the Milk Marketing Board on June 6, 1990 ordering him to pay penalties of £3,200 and to repay losses of £18,264 for knowingly making false returns of his sales.

Section 9 of the Agricultural Marketing Act 1958 provides: "(2) ... every scheme shall require the isciplinary committee to impose such monetary penalties as may be specified ... however ... no such penalty shall be imposed in respect of a contravention which constitutes an offence up this or any other Act."

Miss Cherie Booth for the ap-

plicant, Mr Richard Havery, QC and Mr Kenneth Parker, QC, for MR JUSTICE HUTCHISON said that the applicant had argued that the board's allegations had plainly imported dishonesty on his

part and therefore they fell

tion was that the comparison of the beginning of the disciplinary proceedings by contrasting the terms of the offence charged with the terms of the statutory offence said to be comprised within that

charge. In his Lordship's judgment the prohibition in section 9(2) pre-sented real difficulties. Did "constitutes" mean that one had to have regard merely to the way in which the board framed the charge, to those elements which by their formulation the board accepted the obligation to prove?

Or was it necessary to consider the substance of the charge, posing the question whether in that particular case proof of the ele-ments of the charge which the board accepted the obligation to discharge in fact involved proof of a further element or further elements which constituted some statutory offence?

His Lordship was persuaded that the applicant was correct in submitting that the prohibition prevented the board from entertaining charges where, even though the formulation of the charge did not embrace the elements of some other statutory offence, the real nature of what was alleged constituted some offence under a statutory provision.

Solicitors: Beviss & Beckingsale,

### Choice of charges where passport offence is alleged

Before Lord Justice Leggatt, Mr Justice Rougier and Mr Justice

[Judgment October 26]

Where a defendant had attempted to obtain a passport by deception, the prosecution had a discretion whether to charge him under section 36 of the Criminal Justice Act 1925 or section 15 of the Theft Act 1968, but where he had not was more appropriate to use

The Court of Appeal, Criminal Division, so stated when dismissing an appeal by Hacques Emmanuel Bunche against his conviction in March 1992 at Middlesex Guildhall Crown Court (Mr Recorder Rhodes, QC) of attempting, contrary to section 1(1) of the Criminal Amempts Act 1981, to obtain propeny by deception, contrary to section 15 of the

1968 Act. He was sentenced to 12 months imprisonment suspended for two

A defence submission at the close of the prosecution case at the crown court that he should have been charged with making an untrue statement for the purpose of obtaining a passport contrary to section 36 of the 1925 Act, as amended by section 32(1) of the Criminal Law Act 1977 and section 30 of the Forgery and Counterfeiting Act 1981, had been rejected by the judge.

sentence was two years imprison-ment or a line of £2,000 and under section 15 the maximum was 10 years imprisonment.

Mr Jonathan Clay, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the defendant: Mr Malcolm Weisman for the Crown. LORD JUSTICE LEGGATT, giving the judgment of the court, said that it was impossible to hold

said that it was tripossible to hold as a matter of law that by passing the lesser offence into law under section 36 of the 1926 Act. Parliament had by necessary implication precluded preferment of the greater offence under section 15 of the 1968 Act. The true position was that where her of the two offences could be charged, the prosecution enjoyed a discretion. It was possible to envisage that where there was such a discretion, it might be exercised improperly in that it amounted to

Where a defendant was cha under section 15 of the 1968 Act it serious penalty than he would have been if he had been charged under section 36 of the 1925 Act. Where a defendant had not

sufficient and more appropriate for the prosecution to prefer a charge under section 36 of the 1925 Act as opposed to section 15 of the 1968 Act. Solicitors: CPS, Inner Loundon.

mined a passport it was

owed by the defendants to the plaintiff, and in particular the

Regina v Stevens Regina v Bolchover Regina v Slifkin Regina v Smith Regina v Lovedale Regina v Naughton Regina v Truan Regina v McBride Regina v Burke

Regina v Redfera Before Lord Justice Leggatt, Mr

[Judgment October 30] volved in mortgage frauds, relevant factors to be considered included the length of any delay between the end of a defendant's involvement and the date of

The Court of Appeal so held in giving judgment on appeals by Martin Stevens, Andrew Simon Bolchover, Harvey Sittlin, Peter Smith, Anthony Lovedale, An-thony Naughton, Michael Truan, Kenneth McBride, Peter Burke, Philip Gordon Costello and James Rediern against sentences of be-tween six months and three years imprisonment imposed in August 1992 at Liverpool Crown Court (Mr Justice Jowitt for offences of conspiracy to obtain property by deception, obtaining property by

tain property by deception. Mr Anthony Morris, QC and Mr Richard Marks, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals.

house prices were bound to rise. mortgage fraud which gave rise to different factors being taken into consideration when sentencing Some were more sophisticated than others, sometimes fictitious properties were involved or false names and values were used; sometimes loans obtained for

An important matter was the

It was of consequence whether there was a genuine intention to repay loans involved, thereby avoiding loss to the institutions involved. Regard should be paid to the amount lent as well as the

fessional person for the special reason that if such a person did play a part it necessarily involved a breach of trust.

feature (a) between the end of a defendant's involvement and his arrest. (b) between his arrest and plea of guilty or conviction and (c) between his plea of guilty or conviction and sentence, together with what might have befallen the defendant during any such period of delay. The nature and tim a guilty plea and any help given to the prosecution should also be taken into account.

Mr Morris made two general

Since the plaintiff was well aware that the defendant would

be acting also for other veidors of comparable properties art in so doing would receive constantial information from then, the agency contract between its plaintiff and the defendants could not have included either a terriroquiring the defendants to lisclose plaintiff, or a term precluding the defendants from acting fir rival vendors, or a term precluding the defendants from seeking a earn commission on the sale of the

property of a rival vendor.

Solicitors: Clifford Chance, Frere

## Considerations in sentencing for mortgage frauds

Regina v Costello

Justice Rougier and Mr Justice When sentencing defendants in-

LORD JUSTICE LEGGATT. giving the judgment of the court, said that the case concerned mortgage frauds carried out between June 1980 and September 1988. Such crimes had become preva-lent, aided by the housing boom of

belief, fuelled by inflation, that

There were different sorts of commercial purposes were acquired at domestic rates.

part played by the accused. It was an aggravating feature if he re-cruited others to participate. Of relevance also was the length of the involvement in the fraud or frauds by any particular defendant as well as the extent of any personal

It was important to bear in mind whether any particular defendant ssional or quasi-pro-

Delay might also be a relevant

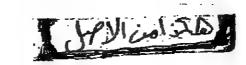
1 The sentencing judge dd not take sufficient account of delay where, as in this case, thee had between a particular defi ceasing to be involved in the fraud and his sentence; 2 Individual matters of mitigation

were not expressly taker into account. Lord Justice Leggart said that their Lordships had read reports on the defendants and had wrighed in the balance nedical reports relating to stress, auxiety and so on. None of those was surprising but they were effects not causes of offending so that their

value in mitigation was slight. It was also necessary to comment on the reiterated references in social enquiry reports to the possibility of non-custodia sentences in such cases. There were many cases where such a suggestion was valuable but in this use it completely failed to appreciate the seriousness of the crimes commit-ted and admitted. There was nothing here to justify suspending a sentence of imprisonment still less the ordering of community

The pattern of sentencing adopted by Mr Justice Jowittzken as a whole appeared to be on the low side but in the case of Anthony John Lovedale insufficient red appeared to have been given for the assistance he gave it the prosecution. His senience vould be reduced from two years to 18 months imprisonment. The sen-tences of Anthony Naughton. Michael Truan and Peter Smith would be reduced from 18 months to 12 months imprisonment and that of Philip Gordon Cestello would be reduced from 16 months sentences of the other six appel-





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# Couples and Love declare desire to take on world

FROM MITCHELL PLATTS GOLF CORRESPONDENT IN MADRID

FRED Couples and Davis Love III are putting their country first in the World Cup of Golf, which begins on the new course at La Moraleja here today. Couples and Love. first and second on the US PGA Tour with over \$1 million each, tee up as the warm favourites to earn the United States victory for only the second time in seven years.

The two Americans accepted the challenge knowing that they would have to undertake a round trip of 10,000 miles to fulfil commitments next week. Couples is playing in Palm Springs on Tuesday and Love is due in Hawaii the same day. two days after the World Cup. The World Cup sponsors

helped by providing a private jet but Couples and Love could have opted to take a week's break following a hectic

Love had little sleep last night as he was watching the US election, "I've never voted in my life but I do take a genuine interest in our afairs," he said. "I've always liked George Bush but I think Bill Clinton will do a good job. You've got to support the

Couples, who has also never

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Matiey, B. Ogle. Brazil: A. J. Pachn., J.
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Pinland: M. Pitz, A Kankkonan, Francis:
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season is of a smile that would

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captain of the European side

that destroyed the United

States in the Solbeim Cup at

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ate the enormity of that

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against opponents who were,

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That went Europe's way as

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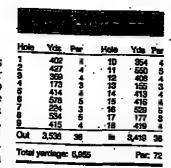
award, with Orley third.

championship, in Taiwan.

Warren club, near

Walker, the profes

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Angeles Open, Nestlé Invitational and the Masters in the spring. He and Love, who won The Players Championship, Heritage Classic and Greater Greensboro Open, dominated the US PGA Tour with six victories between them in nine successive

We could have won them ali," Couples said. "During that time, I hit the ball as well as I've ever done but I'm not close to playing at that level right now." Couples appeared to rediscover his touch in Pinehurst last weekend, when he finished with successive rounds of 66 for a share of fifth place in the US. PGA Tour championship.

Love said: "I don't think

anyone in the world will play gain as Fred did in February. March and April Then he

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M Moralm. attention he got by winning the Masters. That kind of stuff wears you down; your concentration fades.

"But I can tell you, to shoot two 66s at Pinehurst and pass 25 players at the weekend, as he did, is incredible. I think he is about to get back on a roll. I wanted to play in this event with Freddie and we have come as a team ready to play to the best of our ability.

Couples and Love will take a keen interest in the course because it is a potential venue for the Ryder Cup in 1997. For that reason, it is mystifying that Severiano Ballesterns and José María Olazábal are

not representing Spain.

The course, which cost £5 million to build, is the brainchild of Cesar de Zulueta, a retired businessman in whose arms Bing Crosby collapsed and died following a round of golf at the adjacent La Moraleja I course 15 years ago. It has been developed on land on the northern outskirts of the Spanish capital where, less than four years ago, farmers grazed their sheep.

Anders Forsbrand and Per-Ulrik Johansson, of Sweden, believe they are playing well enough to defend the World Cup. Forsbrand has left be-hind the long putter with which he experimented at the England, represented by

David Gilford and Steven Richardson, who won the Alfred Dunhill Cup with Jamie Spence, and Scotland, Colin Montgomerie and Gordon Brand Jr. have never won the World Cup but Ireland, Christy O'Connor Jr and Ronan Rafferty, and Wales,

Ivo Tennant reports on a possible new departure for England cricket

### Gooch looks for new roots

EVEN for the imperturbable England captain, imminent middle-age carries its trials. Playing against Pornigal is one. Graham Gooch has, in his time, faced almost every type of bowling almost everywhere in the world, with a fair inkling of its strength. In the Algarve, where he tested an injured hand at the weekend. he had no conception of whether he would be combating the port trade or Eusebio.

That Portugal's most valued cricketer over the past decade has been the grandson of Frank Woolley, himself middle aged, says something about the game there. In the European Cricketer Cup during the summer, Portugal were captained by a Liverpudlian, Nick Hammill, and entrusted medium pace to a disc jockey, Smoky Joe Lowe, who is in the Guinness Book of Records for catching a 30lb

40z blonde ray in Jersey. The two innings Gooch had in Vale do Lobo were not among the more taxing of his career. On Saturday, he made 75 at almost a run a minute and, on Sunday, 60 in partnership with the captain of Spain. There was no talk of injuries after that.

Gooch was in the Algarve has bought a villa near Vale do Lobo and has initiated coaching at Barringtons, a sports centre that includes one of three cricket grounds in the country. Most probably he will be back in April, once his visit to India is over, and more often when he retires from Test cricket.

It was a motley bunch who were under his tuition on morning.



A ritual the world over: Gooch tosses the coin with Hammill, the Portugal captain, at Vale do Lobo

Rivero, whose Spanish side is no less cosmopolitan than that of Portugal, a village cricketer from Hertfordshire two schoolboys, two Indians and Micky Stewart.

England's recently retired manager was making his first Opening the batting for Barringtons XI with Gooch, who is usually more accustomed to partnering his son, he did not reach double figures. There was a more salient reason, however, for his appearance in this country of football, motor racing and only a smidgen of cricket.

Stewart was examining the facilities with a view to England spending a week or two of their pre-tour preparation Vale do Lobo instead of solely at Lilleshall. He came away suitably impressed.

"The ground itself, the practice area and the weather are marvellous, so I will be talking to my successor, Keith Fletcher, about it." Stewart said. Gooch, needless to say, also enthused. "The great advantage is that the weather at this time of year is hot enough for practice out-doors," he said. "And all the necessary facilities are there for physical preparation.

and shared in stands of 70

with Houghton (36) for the

sixth wicket and with Shah

However, Patel picked up

the wickets of Gary Crocker,

bowled by an ball which kept

ow, and John Traicos, 45,

and Zimbabwe were all out for

219. Patel, the 34-year-old all-

Alas, if Whittingdale's funds do extend to England journeying to sunnier climes next autumn, there will be limited opportunities for potential Portuguese net bowlers. The bowling machine, thought to have first surfaced in Europe in Sir Colin Cowdrey's back garden nearly 30 years ago, has found its way even to this

ing to attacking fields, and it was satisfying to do well on such a slow wicket," he said.

Although Patel did obtain

some gentle turn, it was with

his varied flight that he posed

the greatest threat to the

Zimbabwe batsmen and his

capture of Houghton's wicket

as he attempted to cut -

gave him the greatest satis-

NEW ZEALAND: First Innings 325 for 3 de (RT Latham 119, M J Greatostch 87).

CRICKET: POSITIVE NEW ZEALAND PRESS HOME ADVANTAGE IN BULAWAYO TEST MATCH

#### Europeans find enjoyment from Solheim to Sunrise by Bishop Patricia Davies reviews a season in which

the balance of power on the women's professional golf scene tipped dramatically

"I can't believe we're going to lose this," was the comment of one American as she watched Catrin Nilsmark, a hitherto unheralded Swede, dispatch Meg Mallon, the US win the Solheim Cup. The Americans will probably be in shock until Christmas at least while the Europeaus, as events in Taiwan indicated, are likely to be euphoric until Christmas next year. It was

that sort of sensation. Davies was the superstar and inspiration of the European effort. "She was awesome," Tony Davies, her prother and caddie, said, and nobody knows better than he. He is retiring after five years of bag carrying for his sister and, after Dalmahoy, she

tire, too. This is the ultimate." It was the highlight of a wonderful season for the Surrey woman. She finished top of the European money

joked: "Perhaps I should re-



Walker: still smiling

list for a record third time. playing in nine of the 12 tournaments and winning three. She was twice beaten in play-offs in the United States, Appe Marie Palli, of She did, however, fare poor-

ly in the British and US Opens, which were won by Patty Sheehan, the knickerbockered American. Sheehan thus became the first woman to win both Opens in the same year and prevented her country's golfing stock from falling too far.

In the States, further European specess was achieved by Alfredsson, who was rookie of the year, just ahead of Florence Descampe, the Belgian who had the consolation of winning her first American title, the Stratton Mountain

Next season, they will be joined by Orley, Tania Abitbol, of Spain, Stefania Croce, of Italy, and Alison Nicholas and Suzanne Strudwick, of England, who qualified for the Tour in Florida

Sandrine Mendiburu, another in the line of talented French players from the Biarritz area, was rookie of the year in Europe and, given the talent now available, the Americans might find themthe Solheim Cup. It was no fluke. Davies, Neumann, Alfredsson, Nilsmark, Johnson, Descampe, Nicholas, Kitrina Douglas, Pam Wright and Dale Reid, the team of the year, know that. As for Walker, she is still smiling.

#### Champions Teasing Patel puts Zimbabwe to flight toppled of six for 113 from the off

Pertin Ian Bishop, the West Indies fast bowler, captured three for 21 in ten impressive overs to help the touring team beat Western Australia by 28 runs in a 50-overs day-night match yesterday. Bishop, plagued for most of the past two years by a stress fracture in his back, bowled with genuine

Western Australia, the Sheffield Shield champions, were dismissed for 171 in 45.5 overs after West Indies had been dispatched for a modest 199 in 49 overs

Western Australia contributed to their own downfall with run-outs accounting for three of their leading five batsmen, including the promising Damien Martyn.

Martyn, despite bruising his knee while fielding, showed his class with a polished 52 from 61 balls. (AFP) WEST INDIANS

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34-2; Angel 10-0-38-4; Julian 10-1-39-0
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B P Julian not out2 J Angel c Murray b Bishop2
T M Alderman c Hooper b Bishop
B A Reid b Cummins
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Total (45.5 overs)17
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## spinner, Dipak Patel, and brisk scoring by the top-order batsmen in the second innings put New Zealand 269 runs

ahead going into the final day of the first Test march against Zimbabwe. Mark Greathatch posted his second fifty of the match as he and Rod Latham also registered their second century opening stand of the match, a New Zealand Test record. At

on 31 with New Zealand on 163 for one. Martin Crowe, the captain,

Greatbatch was on 80 and the

vice-captain, Andrew Jones,

this stage, so he will be highly satisfied with the events of the day. He will now have a tough ision over when to declare on the last day to set up a Zimbabwe fourth-innings run

imnings runs on the board at

The day began with Zimba-bwe 54-1 in their first innings reply, and the morning went very much New Zealand's way as the home team collapsed to 64 for five. Even the follow-on target of 126 began to look early lower order produced the necessary determination, and some positive strokeplay, to avoid further embarrassment. Andy Flower batted sensibly

rounder from Auckland, said his return of 6-113 "rates more than anything else I've achieved in terms of my bowling'

(28) for the seventh.

with the new ball in a Test innings for the first time and he certainly relished the opforehand that I would be used

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Total (93.4 overs) 219
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# Lamb dazzles in familiar style

OVERSEAS CRICKET BY SIMON WILDE

ALLAN Lamb is at his most dangerous when his reputation is on the line. When he was omitted from England's winter tour of India and Sri Lanka, he responded typically with a match-winning century in his next championship match against Leicestershire on the last day of the season. Nothing, therefore, seemed

more certain than that Lamb would score prolifically this winter for Western Province, who offered him alternative employment

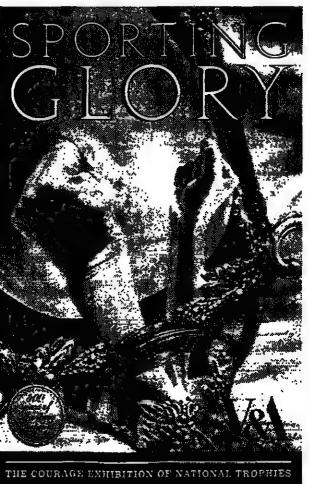
Lamb, though, was uncharacteristically slow to get started. His first three one-day matches for his new team produced just 11 runs. He made 10 not out, was bowied first ball by Stefan Jacobs, of Transvaal, and scored a single against Natal Everything then came good in his first four-day Currie Cup match against Northern Transvaal in Cape Town at the weekend. Lamb, 38, gave one of his

best displays in his native country, his unbeaten secondinnings double-century helping to set up a 183-run victory. He hatted five-and-three-marter hours for his 206 and shared a fifth-wicket parmership of 267 with Kuiper, a record for any Western Province wicket. He hit 27 fours

Andrew Hudson, who carried his bat for 163 against West Indies when South Africa returned to Test cricket last April, began the season with Currie Cup centuries against Eastern Province, the champions, and Orange Free State. Natal, who have acquired Clive Rice and Malcolm Marshall, should be a force to be reckoned with this season.

Steve Waugh has strengthened his claim to return to the Australia Test team by his prolific form. On Sunday, he struck 131 off 140 balls for New South Wales against Queensland in Brisbane. His

twin brother, Mark, who has been keeping him out of the Test side, was dismissed by McDermott for two. His last seven innings, embracing the tour of Sri Lanka, have been 0. 0, 0, 0, 2, 55 and 2.



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#### THE decision by Courtlands Australian players this week.

Country Club to sign the best young homegrown players for their defence of the women's superleague title paid immediate dividends with a 2-1 win over Windsor in the opening fixture at Thorpe Bay on Tuesday night (Colin Mc-Quillan writes).

1. 1-9. 10-8. 9-0. The other squads were no-

Nottingham won 2-1 at Leeon-Solent thanks to their signing of Liz Irving, the experienced Queenslander, who defeated Linda Charman 9-5, 10-9, 8-10, 8-10, 9-6 at third string. Solent's success came at first

string from Danielle Drady, another Queenslander. They have waited for her for a year, after she was injured at the start of last season, and she renaid them with 62-minute 8-10, 9-1, 9-4, 9-7 victory over Lisa Onie.

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### ICE SKATING Cousins needs counter-attack to clinch title and her landing of the flying

By JOHN HENNESSY

STEVEN Cousins, the British figure skating champion, has again been upstaged by John Martin, from Kyle, in the first element of the British championships, the technical programme, at Milton Keynes. A year ago. Cousins successfully counter-attacked on the free skating section and must do so again to retain his title.

Attempting the difficult combination of two triple jumps, Cousins fell on the second, a toe loop, and then landed a triple flip with a

rasping skid. Martin skated superbly, with a conspicuously. superior triple flip and a successful combination of miple lutz to double toe loop.

The marking system leads to this being a free skating competition, unlikely to be influenced by the result of the technical programme in a limited field. Martin will want to confound his reputation for unreliability over four-and-ahalf minutes of free skating.

Both may be sure of competing in the European championships in Helsinki in January but which of the two will go on to the world championships in Prague in March will depend on the final here and, perhaps, how they fare in Helsinki. Charlene von Saher, heir-

ess-apparent to the women's title in the absence of the injured Joanne Owers (née Conway), survived the first hurdle well enough. She won the technical programme section and so established an advantage of half a point. One of the seven judges went as low as 5.1 for content.

unimpressed perhaps by von

Saher's circular step sequence

ner of the junior championship the day before.

camel. She was secure on her jumps, however, and produced a clean triple salchow in the combination. Her nearest challenger now is Emma Warmington, win-

Ship the day better.

RESULTS: Technical programmes: Ment.

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SQUASH

# Courtlands' faith repaid

Sue Wright, the British champion, lost to Sarah Fitz-Gerald but Cassandra Jackman beat Martine Le Moignan and Fiona Geaves overcame Jane Martin 1-9, 9-

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FROM DAVID MILLER IN ACAPULCO

"Mr Payne has made no formal presentation to the HAVING been a catalyst in healing inter-racial sports relations in South Africa, the International Olympic Committee (IOC) is now confronted with the possibility of precipitating racial antagonism at the Centenary Games in Atlanta. The fuse to a potential eruption is the request to include golf, to be staged at Augusta National, a club with a history of discrimination.

William Payne, president of the Atlanta Organising Committee, believes golf can create a positive opening of new areas, sporting and social, in southern America. Michael Lomax, chairman of Fulton County, which contains many of the Games venues, and also a member of the Metropolitan Augusta Olympic Games Authority, which carries legal responsibility for hosting the

Metropolitan Authority." Lo-max said yesterday. "I have expressed concern, given the restrictive nature of Augusta National, not just towards

and was glossing over a sub-stantial human rights issue.

Lomax is an English professor and a black moderate but is grieved that the organising committee did not consult the black community before announcing its request together with Jack Stephens, the chair-

## Sports Council will be hurt by grants plan

BY JOHN GOODBODY

and equipment.

THE Sports Council will suffer, like other bodies supported by public expenditure. ernment will match up to £75.000 on individual when the government this projects with similar sums raised by private week finalises its spending for the next financial year. sponsorship.

Though the government yesterday confirmed that the Sportsmatch scheme for the grassroots will go ahead next year, there has been a tradeoff with the Treasury. When asked if the money

released by the Treasury for Sportsmatch would affect the grants to the Sports Council, Robert Key, the minister in the Department of National Heritage, declined to comment. However, he pointed to the importance to "prioritise" the new public spending rules and added: "Any decision on new production of money must impact on other departmental responsibilities and

public areas. The inference is clear. British sports must expect either an increase in its grants that is lower than inflation or even

Key said that he hoped that the Sportsmatch money available would be 63 million a year for three years but further details will only be

African Americans but also towards women. It is a highly respected venue but with a policy that has restricted reli-gion, race and gender that is not compatible with the values

of the Olympic movement." Lomax said that the request was at varience with the organising committee's own non-discriminatory policy in awarding Games contracts

general but we've grown be-We are not asking for permanent change — unless the IOC want it — but some-thing special for Atlanta. We would be introducing a new audience of all races at Augusta National, where previously it has been impossible to get finalised later this month. tickets, as well as introducing Under the scheme, the govwomen." The proposal at

men and women. Key described the scheme, Payne and his associates the one valuable initiative cannot be questioned on their announced by Robert Atkins, goodwill but, coming from the the former minister for sport. private-sector professional background, are unused to in his review last December, as wide-ranging, but he was unable to specify whether it would be available for financhandling people within the public political arena. Insensitivity has led to blunders.

man of Augusta. Payne will

present the request initially to

the IOC programme commis-sion in December, though the

IOC executive board is expect-

ed to discuss the issue here

tomorrow. Kevan Gosper, of

Australia, a vice-president, and Dr Un Yong Kim, of

South Korea, are known to be

Juan Antonio Samaranch,

questioned at a press confer-

ence on Tuesday, said that he

was convinced neither one

way nor the other; yet he must initially have given unofficial

"We want to utilise the

Games to grow beyond old

restrictions of the past," Payne

said. "Unification [racial] was part of the reason for our bid. Why did the Olympic move-

ment let South Africa back if

this motivation is not correct.

Stone Mountain Park, where

several events will be staged.

has statues of the Confederate

present is for an open (profes-

sional and amateur)

strokeplay tournament for

encouragement to Payne.

ing coaching and develop-When the Olympic flag ment as well as more facilities arrived from Barcelona to the new host city, it was accompa-The launch of Sportsmatch nied by a 5,000-strong protest was postponed in September because the organising committee has given no guarantee to local organised labour for venue construction. This could because the organisers in England, the institute of Sports Sponsorship (ISS), lead to strikes, similar to those were told by the Treasury that in Montreal before 1976, at there was uncertainty over the the main stadium.

amount of money they would have available over the next The organising committee had 4,000 written objections The ISS, which heard the to their horrendous mascot, a news officially yesterday at a lunch attended by its presi-dent, the Duke of Edinburgh, Disnevland-style garish twoheaded slug that was launched without public consaid that it has a large sultation. Atlanta is well ahead number of companies from of Barcelona at this comparaboth industry and business. tive stage of preparation yet ready to participate in Sportsmatch. lack of consultation is alienating public bodies.



Holding court: Bates volleys during his straight sets win at Telford yesterday

### Castle calls end to his career

By Andrew Longmore, Tennis Correspondent

ANDREW Castle always did have an eye for a good publicity stunt. So it was no surprise that the British No. 5 and defending national champion should choose the scene of his biggest crime to ar-nounce his retirement from international tennis nor, given his ability to talk a good game,

that a career in television now

beckons. Two years ago, Castle horrified his lords and masters at the Lawn Tennis Association (LTA) by producing an antipoll tax placard during the televised final of these national championships. He was fined £2,400, a swingeing punishment for a minor outburst. But history could prove his harshest critic. Castle will forever be remembered for his protest, not for his tennis.

> Castle's promise first surfaced in gallant defeat by Mats Wilander on a sunlit

tion away from being top

afternoon at Wimbledon in 1986. The Swede went on to become world No. 1; Castle never climbed higher than 80 in the rankings. His career earnings just topped £200,000, or about £30,000 a

"Only two or three people in the world really live up to their potential in any profession," he said. "I've had a good time but I could've been a lot better than I was. In order to get higher. I had to out everything into it and I wasn't prepared to

pay the price." Castle, who will be 29 in ten days, has offered his services to the LTA as a coach when he is not commentating for BSkyB or enjoying a home life for the first time - his first child is due just before Christmas. But the response from the top has so far been understandably cautious. "I know what it's like on the circuit and it's not just a question of hitting balls," he said. "It's getting to an airport at 6am and travelling halfway

around the world to play a sanflite."

Castle has said goodbye to all that but might yet have one more encore to give by defend-ing his singles title at Telford. He started encouragingly yes-terday, overwhelming Ulli Nganga 6-0, 6-2 in less than an hour.

Sean Cole, beaten finalist last year, lost to Michael Wyeth, a qualifier who was once in a junior squad based at Arsenal football club, and spends most of his time coaching, while Jeremy Bates, the top seed, beat Gary Engleman 6-1, 6-3

In the women's singles, the second seed. Amanda Grunfeld, saved a match point before reaching the quarter-finals with a 4-6, 6-2, 7-5 win over Julie Pullin, but Sara Gomer, another potential re tiree, lost to Sarah Bentley in straight sets.

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### **SPORTS LETTERS**

### Canoeists in harmony with other river users

From Mr Paul Owen and

Mr Peter Midwood Sir, We are concerned that your readers may be misled by the last two paragraphs of Andy Martin's article, "Dangers of the white-water warriors" (November 2).

It is the policy of the British Canoe Union (BCU) to act within the law and to seek access agreements in relation to the use of waters where there is no public right of navigation or where this is disputed.

The BCU feels that canoeists do not enjoy a reasonable share of waterway resources and would like to see a more equitable legal framework. However, the BCU believes that much can be achieved in the short term through agreement. The impression given in the article will not encourage more riparian owners to enter into agreements.

The BCU is proud of the Olympic silver medal-winner. Gareth Marriott, Access to rough water is crucial to the training of such athletes and many more, who enjoy this healthy outdoor activity at all levels. Moreover, the BCU encourages all canoeists to become members because in this way it can inform more canoeists and give the lead to

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The Mike Jones Rally (not Mike Dixon) is a wellorganised, popular event which is carefully controlled. Dr Jones was drowned in Pakistan in 1978 whilst attempting to rescue a fellow paddler. He had been at the forefront of white-water paddling, having led numerous expeditions including Canoeing Down Everest.

In his memory a number of friends created the rally. The first 13 events were hosted at Llangollen on the River Dec last year, it was held at Hexham on the Tyne. The rally has always been held in the closed fishing season with the agreement and co-operation of all riparian owners and fishing clubs. It is not a pass on rivers", and both sites

are examples of rivers were good access agreements are in

During the fishing season there is no canoeing on the river; for agreed days in the closed season (typically mid-October until January or February) canocists may paddle on the river. Autumn months typically give higher river levels, which is what white-water canoeists enjoy.
In our crowded country, the

Mike Jones Rally is an amicable event demonstrating that contrasting interests can share a single facility without compromise or aggravation to the other party. Yours sincerely. PAUL OWEN (Director,

British Canoe Union), PETER MIDWOOD (Chairman, Mike Jones Rally). Adbolton Lane, West Bridgford, Nottingham.

#### Pyjama names

From Mr N. Bloomfield Sir, In the mood of Mr Springhall's search for names to match the new Sunday cricket league clothing (Sports Letters, October 29), my friends and I spent some time during breaks in play at this summer's Test matches com-posing a list for all 18 firstclass counties. My teams became the Durham Blue Stars (nice sponsor tie-in) and the Middlesex Tenants (a nod

to the club's history). Among the more amusing (and printable) suggestions were the Yorkshire Puddings and the Essex Men. No doubt the recent upheavals at Surrey present an opportunity for some witty reader. Yours faithfully.

N. BLOOMFIELD, 22 Cornbury Crescent. Downhead Park, Milton Keynes,

Buckinghamshire.

Olympic golf

From the Secretary of Ganton Golf Club Sir, You reported (October 21) the possibility of golf returning to the Olympic Games. It was last included officially in St Louis in 1904 but, in 1936, a 'Grand Golf Prize of the Nations" was held at Baden Baden in connection with the Games. It was won by Britain.

in the persons of T. J. (Tom-my) Thirsk and A. L. Bentley. Thirsk was a long-standing member of Ganton and president in the seventies: his "Olympic Vases" were pre-sented to the club in 1987 by his son-in-law. I am not aware what happened to the "Grand Golf Trophy" which Hitler declined to present to Thirsk. whose second 65 relegated the German team to third place. Yours sincerely, R. G. PRICE, Secretary, Ganton Golf Club,

Ganton, Scarborough,

#### Yachts lag behind

From Mr Bruce Grant Sir, Rodney Pattisson (article, October 31) is correct in saying that Olympic yachting is facing its largest dilemma since its inclusion in the Games in 1948. However, he fails totally to either protect or

forward the sport. The requests of the Interna-tional Olympic Committee, that "yachting must pay its way", are not unreasonable or unachievable. If only the International Yacht Racing Union (IYRU) could drop some of its preconceptions: Olympic yachting does not need to sail bathtubs ten miles

from any spectator or camera. Pattisson says that yachting has come a long way from 1948. I don't believe it has. Of the two classes he quotes, the Flying Dutchman was designed more than 30 years ago and the Star more than 60. So, what has come a long way? Yachting does not need eight classes to sail in the Olympics, five of which are

Why be frightened of change? Why not use today's lightweight, high performance boats, like the modern International 14 or the windsurfer fun boards, with races lasting just ten to 15 miles? Why not use knockout-style events on short, 200metre courses with downwind slalorus and three-lap races? Why not stage the 1996 Olympic yachting in front of the beach in a windy location and not at Savannah, which is

known for its light winds? From the competitors' and spectators' viewpoint, this would be much more enjoy-able and would fill the IOC's mandate, at the same time protecting the Olympic future of the sport. Yours sincerely, BRUCE GRANT,

Clapham Common, SW4.

102 Northside.

#### Drugs pose threat to horses From Mr Michael Waudby

Sir, The understandable concern over the well-being of Lester Piggott after his horrific fall (report, November 2) has obscured in part the tragedy which befell his horse, Mr Brooks, for whom there will be no speedy recovery.

Nobody will ever know for certain but the argument that the painkilling drug administered to Mr Brooks prior to the race contributed to his downfall deserves serious consideration.

Bute and similar drugs have one paramount effect in that they obscure a horse's perception of, and reaction to, pain and discomfort.

In Mr Brooks's case, what may have happened is that the drug masked the extent of the injury the horse had already suffered and he did not show the symptoms sufficient to cause his withdrawal from the

The adminstering of these drugs is unacceptable for three

From Mr R. H. C. Phillips Sir, The comment of Maurice Lindsay (October 26) concerning the non-appearance of Martin Offiah on the lap of honour after the rugby league World Cup final bodes ill.

that the player is under no obligation to parade after a defeat, he is wrong if he thinks it is an unimportant facet of the game; 73,000 people at Wembley made it quite clear what they thought a discourteous and disappointing end to a match in which the crowd's encouragement and support man played a large part in Great Britain's performance.

Offiah may well have felt gloomy but this was the sport's most prestigious match and he left the field to continue with a 1. They obscure a horse's physical weakness which, if the horse is sufficiently successful, he will then he allowed to pass on to his offspring at

2. Nobody can be sure of any horse's true ability if his per-formance is dependent on whether drugs are given to him prior to a race or not.

3. Most importantly, the horse is made to suffer in the long term as he constantly performs beyond his physical capabili-ties and, in the most extreme cases, it seems there is a risk that the use of these drugs is life-threatening on both an equine and human basis.

Until all the United States racing authorities ban these drugs, the Breeders' Cup cannot be considered racing's world championships. Yours faithfully, MICHAEL WAUDBY. 33 Market Place,

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able lifestyle (as we continued

to be told in the lead-up to the

final) in contrast to many of those at Wembley.

South Cave, Brough, North Yorkshire.

#### Offiah off mark

Surely a great actor would still attend a curtain-call even after what he would consider a poor performance. Offiah would do well to remember While he is correct to say that rugby league is a great game and has a large follow-ing; supporters are an important part of this sport and Mr Lindsay, the new chief execu-tive, must take them into account if the current reputation is to be maintained. Yours sincerely, HENRY PHILLIPS.

Mavfield. 17 Mayfield Road, Oxford.

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# Munka rekindles memories of Bula glory days

By RICHARD EVANS

GLORIOUS memories of yesteryear were revived at Newbury yesterday when a young hurdler, carrying the famous colours of Bula, made

a winning debut.

Munka, whose dam was a half-sister to the 1971 and 1972 Champion Hurdle winner, is owned and bred by Capt Bill Edwards-Heathcote. owner of Bula, and his smile in the winner's enclosure was enough to pierce the gloom of

a grey antumnal day.

"He reminds me of Bula very much but I doubt if he will win 13 on the trot like Bula did," the proud owner

Also on hand to see the fivelength victory was Brian Delaney, head lad with Fred Winter during the Bula glory days and now with Charlie Brooks, "He is just like Bula, the way he jumped the last

and quickened up."

Munka, the last foal of the once-raced Canterbury Lace, was challenging when the front-running Yorkshire Gale fell at the second last and would have probably won without his departure. Declan Murphy, rider of Yorkshire Gale, was taken to hospital with a trapped nerve in his

David Nicholson is enjoying an excellent start to the new season following his move to a plush new yard at Ford and Baydon Star maintained the run with a stylish

victory in the Tom Masson Trophy Hurdle. With four lengths back to the hitherto unbeaten Sweet Mailcom in third, it was no surprise to see the sponsors cut Baydon Star to 5-2 favourite for the £25,000-added

Country Member, whose jumping let him down last season, appears to have more confidence this campaign and followed up his recent Wincanton success by win-ning the Lionel Vick Memori-al Chase.

Ladbroke Novices' Handicap

Hurdle at Aintree on Novem-

The victory came as some thing of a relief to the East Hendred trainer as some of his horses have been coughing recently. He lears the bug may have been responsible for Kar-abatic's lacklustre performance at Exeter on Tuesday.

We are carrying out tests on him. He blew for an unaccountably long time after the race," Turnell said. Dusty Miller was kept to

hurdling last season after fluffing an early attempt over fences and the owners, including Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber, were rewarded with success in the County Hurdle at the Cheitenham festival.

However, chasing was always going to be his forte and

### **Another Coral heads** Mackeson market

By George Rae

ANOTHER Coral is 7-1 favourite with Ladbrokes to repeat last year's win in the Mackeson Gold Cup at Chel-

tenham on Saturday week. David Nicholson, Another Coral's trainer, yesterday confirmed that the nine-year-old is on course for his attempt to emulate Half Free, who gained successive victories in the Mackeson in 1984 and

Another Coral has been allotted 9st 12lb but the weights look certain to rise at least 10lb with Katabanc. disappointing at Exeter on Tuesday, unlikely to run.

Lachrokes have Pars Jester next best at 10-1 with Edberg. a winner at Sandown Park last Saturday, Gale Again, Kings Fountain and Tipping Tim bracketed together on 12-1.

Tipping Tim beat Par's Jester at Wetherby last Satur-day but, although raised 7lb by the handicapper, is still 3lb better off for his neck victory. Hills have opened a book on

the Hennessy Gold Cup at Newbury on November 28 and make Captain Dibble, who runs at Wincarton today,

ping Tim and Chebenham Foximmers winner Rushing

Big-race entries

#### 14-1 joint favourite with Tip-Kinane retains title

A SINGLE wiriner from six well-fancied mounts might sound scant reward for a 4,000-mile detour but Michael Kinane still left the Curragh yesterday, happy in the knowledge that he had retained the jockeys' title (Our Irish Racing Correspondent

He had thought it safely won when, in mid-October, he



Kinane: Irish champion jockey with 100 winners

left Ireland to fulfil a winter contract in Hong Kong. However, when he arrived in Florida on Saturday to ride in the Breeders' Cup, he learnt that Christy Roche had reduced his lead to seven with a Down Royal double.

Accordingly, he decided to return to Hong Kong the long way, flying across the Adantic rather than the Pacific to the final meeting of the season at the Curragh. His only winner came through Shaikh Mohammed's smart juvenile, Sinissipi, in the listed Eyrefield RBF Rare. As Roche drew a blank, this

left Kinane in an untouchable situation with a lead of eight and only six more Flat races before the curtain comes down at Leopardstown on Sunday

Sinissipi was his 100th winner of the year in this country and he has now been champi on jockey in eight of the last

## Point-to-point blooming

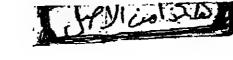
THE good health of point-to-point racing is reflected in a record 205 meetings next form, will be allowed. season (Brian Beel writes). New to the fixture list are the

South Midlands Area Hunt Club at Heythrop, the Harborough Hunt Club at Dingley and the Windsor Forest Draghounds at Twesel-

The season starts three weeks earlier than hitherto with the Waveney at Higham on January 16 and, as reported yesterday, has a Sunday fixture for the first time. An assurance has been given to the Jockey Chib that for this event, the Point-To-Point

Three new courses will be used. The Cattistock race over Richard Barber's land at Linde Windsor, near Crewkerne, the Cheshire Forest move to Knutsford and the South Tetcott go to Jays Farm at Lifton, near Lanneeston. Land-Rover and BMW remain the only national sponsors at this stage but Welsh

border auctioneers. Russell Baldwin and Bright, are promoting a series in the southern half of the country, consisting of nine maiden races and a final at Chepstow on April 13.



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Captain Dibble to go one better first run of the season at Ascot. Captain Dibble is taken to

capture the Badger Beer Chase at Wincanton, today's most valuable prize. A winner at Uttoxeter and Worcester last autumn, Captain Dibble reserved his best performance for the spring

when he won the Scottish

National at Ayr by eight In view of that, his subsequent run in the Irish National was bitterly disappointing. However, he was lame when he returned home and it transpired that he had sustained a leg injury when badly . hampered by a faller.

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His recent Ascot run, when second in a good handican chase, showed that he has made a complete recovery. Captain Dibble was catching Latent Talent hand over fist towards the end that day, the pair drawing well dear of

MANDARIN

1.15 Holy Mackerel.

1.45 Ballyroe Lady. 2.15 Good For A Loan.

3.15 MR ENTERTAINER (nap).

RICHARD EVANS: 2.45 CAPTAIN DIBBLE (nep).

1.15 HOPEFUL NOVICES HURDLE (£1,744: 2m) (17 runners)

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BETTING: 4-1 Smiling Chet, B-2 Angele's Double, 6-1 Polydouses, 7-1 Will Ste Went Ste, Holy Machinel, 10-1 Fawner, 12-1 Rockel Launcher, Playing Trusial, 14-1 Old Steine, 15-1 olders.

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1991: AMERIOSE 4-10-5 & Johnson Houghton (11-2) R Johnson Houghton 11 ass

THUNDERER

1.00 Indian Flash.

2.30 Palacegate Girl.

3,30 Take It in Cash.

3.00 John Shaw.

1.30 Lawnswood Junior.

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2.15 SOUTH-WEST RACECOURSES AMATEUR RIDERS SERIES

(Round II: handicap hurdle: £2,490: 2m) (14 runners)

1.45 TATTERSALLS MARES ONLY MOVICES CHASE

(Qualifier: £2,444: 2m 5f) (7 runners)

MICHAEL PHILLIPS

Belmount Captain, who had won his previous race in such style at Chepstow.

Top weight today will be carried by Sparkling Flame, who was the best staying novice chaser two seasons ago when he won four of his five races, culminating with an eight-length victory in the Mumm Club Chase at Liverpool

Last season, though, he lost his way completely in a man-ner that still baffles his trainer, Nicky Henderson. Until the old sparkle returns, it is probably best to hold a watching

Espy and Laundryman. who finished third and fourth respectively in the Newbury race won by Brandeston last

THUNDERER

1.15 Smiling Chief. 1.45 Gilston Lass.

2.45 Captain Dibbie.

2.15 Good For A Loan.

3.45 LUSTY LIGHT (nap).

month, meet again on the Newbury, where he accounted same terms.

When Foyle Fisherman won this race 12 months ago. he had had a preparatory run and also had everything his own way in the race because the favourite, Garrison Savannah, ran a long way below his best. Foyle Fisherman is most unlikely to find life so simple this time.

My nap today is Mr Enter-tainer to win the Silver Buck Handicap Chase, even with top weight.

I saw the Nick Gaseleetrained nine-year-old in his box on Tuesday evening and he looked absolutely magnificent - fitter in my view, and also in the eyes of his trainer. than when he ran a fine race on his seasonal debut at Newbury last autumn to finish second to Espy.

After that Mr Entertainer was in commanding form on successive occasions: first at

2.45 BADGER BEER CHASE

(Limited handicap: £10,260; 3m 1f 110yd) (7 runners)

FORM FOCUS

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BETTRRS: 9-4 Capain Dibble, 3-1 Rocktor, 7-2 Sparkling Flores, 6-1 Landdynaus, 8-1 Ecoy, 10-1 Foyler Fisherman, 12-1 Broadcast.

1991: POYLE PISHERMAN 12-10-7 & Marphy (4-1) J Billion 4 go

FORM FOCUS

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BETTING: 5-2 Mr Gattainer, 7-2 The Hydracier, 4-1 Tei Falone, 7-1 Wellmown Classacier, Setler Country, 10-1
Picador, Knight CH, 20-1 Latin Mession.
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COURSE SPECIALISTS

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3.45 MENDIP NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HURDLE

(£1,772: 2m 6f) (16 runners)

TRAINERS

Mrs J Pilman. M Pipe D Elsworth O Sherwood C Brooks M Handerson

(£2,274; 1m 3f 32yd) (10 runners)

3.15 SILVER BUCK HANDICAP CHASE (£4,276: 2m 5f) (8 runners)

for Guiburn's Nephew, and again at Kempton where he beat Gold Options by ten lengths, breaking the track record. He now has a fine chance of winning again on ground that he will relish.

The Tattersalls Mares Only

Novices Chase qualifier can go



Gaselee: trains Mandarin's nap Mr Entertainer (3.15)

beaten only a neck in a similar race at Newton Abbot while Good For A Loan has the benefit of Marcus Armytage's assistance in round two of the South-West Racecourses Ama-

teur Riders Series.
At Uttoxeter, not even the very promising Cherrykino, who won by four lengths at Worcester first time out. should prevent one of last season's top novices. Milford Quay, from picking up where he left off - on a winning note - in the Arlington Premier Series Chase qualifier.

Piggott discharged LESTER Piggott was dis-charged from Miami's Hollywood Memorial Hospital late on Tuesday night, only three days after his Breeders' Cup fall at Gulfstream Park Piggott, 57 today, is expected to stay in Florida for a few days before returning to the same hospital for a check-up.

YESTERDAYS RESULTS

Newbury NEWDUTY
Going: good to soft
1.35 (2m 41 ch) 1, DUSTY WILLER (J. Osbone, 11-8 fay); 2, Dublin Flyer (C. Llewellyr, 10-1); 3, Propero (E. Murchy, 10-1), ALSO RAN 9-4 Retail Runner, 10 Man On The Line (Sth.), 12 La Cercaga (pu), 20 Ragean Road (eth), Richmille (Sth.), 65 Prince Yarradon (pu.), 9 ran. 8, 3, nr., 10, 11-15 S Snewmod at East Italys, Tote: E2.30; £1 40, £1 40, £2 40 DF £8 40, CSF. £15 15.
2.10 (3m ch) 1, COUNTRY MEMBER (L.

CSF. £15.15
2.10 (3m ch) 1, COUNTRY MEMBER (L. Harvey, 100-30); 2, Kentish Piper (C. Leweiyn, 11-1); 3, Soficiasarock (G. McCourt, 20-1) ALSO RAN 5-2 tay Tug Of Gold feith, 13-2 Keep Tailung (pu), 7 Spnngaleak (4th), B Gustum's Nephew (5th), 11 Henry Marry, 16 Yingam (ur), 20 Bapusmal Fre (pu), 25 Bronze Frei (pu) 11 ran 71, 71, 351, 101, 3-1 A Turnell at Wannage, 10sts, 23 80 DF £47.50, Tro £486.50, CSF £37.79 Thosast £580.92

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2.40 (2m 5f Indie) 1, BAYDON STAR IP.
Durnuccidy. 13-8 tav). 2, Sweet Dulie (C Liewellyn, 4-1); 3, Meilcom (M Paman, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 100-30 Demond Cut (4th), 9-2 San Femerato (5th), 12 Nickle Joe (pu), 33 Gpsy Dewn (8th), Generous Social Alamsheh. 100 Letts Green. 10 ran. 4, 30, 12, 12, 51 D Nicholson at Temple Guiting. Tote: 22-50, 51-50, 51-40, 52-20. DF: 55 10 CSF 52,73

ES 10 CSF 28.73
3,10 C2m 110yd hole) 1, MUNNCA (Peter Hobbs, 20-1); 2, Chapel Hill (S McNexl, 16-1); 3, Weisin Singer (M Richards, 7-2).
ALSO RAN, 5-2 lav Sommead (Sri), 100-30 Yorkshra Gale (ur.), 9-2 Dver The Pole, 12 Baizze Boy, Mullinger Con, 16 Dawd John (4th), Never Let On (6th), My Tobian, 33 Mayrown, 12 ran 5, 48, 41, 21, 81, Phobbs at Minerhead, Totel 179 70; 510, 70, 55.00, 51,80 DF; 5486.80 CSF; 5293.63. ES.00, E1,80 DF: \$488.80 CSF; £253.63, 3.40 (2m 1) ch) 1, FRAGRANT DAWN (Pholipy, 100-30); 2, Wide Boy (Peter Hobbs, 11-2); 3, Acre Hill (R Durwcody, 3-1). ALSO RAN: 9-4 lav Ameri King (5th), 11-2 Green Willow (pu), 16 Greenheart (4th), 50 Briggs Builders (pu), 7 ran. NF: Breeldast Car. 31, 151, 15; 251. D Elsworth at Whitsbury Tole: £4.40; £2.10, £2.90. DF: £9.90, CSF: £20.61. Thicses: £54.79 DF: 19.90, CSF: 22.05.1 Incast: 554.79
4.16 (2m 10yd hafe) 1, MY SENOR (R
Dunwoody, 7-1); 2, Nesser (G McCoun,
16-1); 3, Russian Vision (S Smith Ecclor,
9-1), ALSO RAN: 11-8 few Roc Color (4th,
11-4 Singers Image (pu), 11-2 Uerillo (5th,
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11-8 Uerillo

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Going: good
1.30 (2m hole) 1, Smiles Ahead (R Strongs, 7-2); 2, Prince Tino (4-1); 3, Weekday Cross (12-1), Solo Corrief 3-1 law 9 ran, Nk, 10. P Seven, Tota: £3.30; £1.40, £1.20, £2.20. DF: £3.50. CSF: £17.34. Tricast: £138.06.
2.00 (3m 110yd hole) 1, Rochestown Lass (N Marn, 10-1); 2, Dort 101 The Wife (7-2 j-lav); 3, Touch Of Winter (7-2 j-lav), 13 ran, 6, 1%, P Dulton Tota: £17.50; £2.40, £1.80, £1.80. DF: £17.80. CSF: £44.11.
2.30 (2m ch) 1, Stybilin (M Dwor, 5-8 lav).

2.30 (2m ch) 1, SyloBiln (M Dwyer, 5-6 lav), 2, Knight's Spur (100-30), 3, Good Seout (86-1), 5 ran. 10l. 10l. Jimmy Pitzgerald. Tote: £1,70; £1,20, £7.50. DF: £2.40. CSF: EA.05. (2m hole) 1, Band Of Hope (Diene Clay, 9-1); 2, Secret Summit (7-2); 3, Little Big (6-1), Black Jowel 5-2 fav 15 nan 2%!, 1%!, W Clay, Tore: 29.60; 21.80, £1.50, £2.10, DF; £14.00, CSF; £44.13.

22:10. Dr. £14;00. Csr. £44.13. 2.30 (2m 5 ch) 1. Glen Cheny (H Davies, 2-5 tav); 2. Refreib Venture (11-2); 3. Democratic Boy (18-1), 5 ran. 2, 2h. T Forster. Tota: £1.30, £1.40. Df. £2.10. CSF: £2.94. 4.00 (2m £1.100) trillo 1. Silippe Stallber 52.10. CSF: 52.94.
4.00 (2m ef 1) oyd hdle) 1, Sillars Stallerr (A Meguire, 11-8 fav); 2, Coney Dove (S-1); 3, Andrew's First (12-1), 4, Darf Sound (6-1), 17 ran. NR: Vilong Venture, 294, 394. Mrs. J Rarreden, Tots: 52.40; 51.20, 52.20, 52.10, £1.70. DF: £13.60. CSF: £17.02. Thease: £124.14. Plecepot: 27.90

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RCISO Going: good (chase course); good, good to soft in places (hurdles); If You Say So (Mr A Thornton, 11-8 lav); 2. Here Cornes Tibby (100-1), 3, Eastern Pleasure (33-1). 15 ran. 10, 11. W A Saphenson. Total 52.40, 21.40, 233.10, 23.20, DF: 588.50. CSF: 598.85. CSP: 598.85. 1,15 (2m 6l 110yd ch) 1, Kushbaloo (B Storey, Evens (av); 2, Tres Amigos (16-1), 3, Cherming Gale (10-1) 12 ran. 3/4, 1/4 C Parles, Toke: 51.40; 51.70, 52.90, 61.10. DF: £12.10. CSP: £16.54.

UT: £12.10. CSP: £16.54.

1.45 (2m 110yd hdle) 1, Dominant Serenade (P Nwen, 5-4); 2, Eden's Close (5-6 tav); 3, Pride Of Pendle (33-1) 9 ran. NR: Agave. 7, 12: M Hammond. Tote: £2.50; £1.30. £1.30, £2.60. OF: £1.50 CSF: £2.56.

2.250. (3m. 1f ch) 1, Wheat Featle (M. Moloney, 5-4 tav); 2, Interim Lio (S-4); 3, Stay On Tracks (3-1); 5 ran, 10), 11, G. Richerds, Totes; \$2.20; \$2.10, \$2.20 DF; \$2.40, \$3.50; 2m. 110, d Indie); 1, Strong Views (Mr. A. Thornton, 2-1 tav); 2, Willie Sparkle (12-1); 3, Flowing River (8-1), 10 ran, 1 kil, hd. W. A. Staphenson, Totes: \$4.10, \$2.50, \$2.20, DF; \$2.80, \$3.50; \$2.40, \$3.50; \$2.50, \$2.50, \$2.50, \$2.50, \$2.50, \$2.50, \$3.50; \$3.50 12254, 3,50 (2m 6f 110yd hdie) 1, Nodform Wonder (D Byrne, 10-11 lav); 2, Firm Price (11-1); 3, Midlend Led (7-1). 10 ran. 5, 10 Eddy, Tote: 21.70; 21.10, 23.00, 52.10. DF: 25.80, CSF: 211.07, Tricast: 242.79.

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to function in this country. The indications are that many people are unfortunately con-

Commons to study VAT crisis

BY RICHARD EVANS, RACING CORRESPONDENT

Fears of jobs losses of at least 15,000 flowing from the different VAT raies - 17.5 per cent in the UK compared to 5.5 per cent in France and 2.7 per cent in Ireland - have prompted the enquiry following a request by Richard Spring. Conservative MP for

Bury St Edmunds. Spring, a member of the allparty select committee, said with Sir John Cope, the payyesterday: "Between 15,000 and 17,000 jobs would be master general, where they directly affected if the breedargued strongly in favour of

THE VAT crisis threatening

the breeding and bloodstock

industry is to be investigated

by the Commons employment

select committee.

ing industry felt it was unable sidering moving because of the VAT situation.

"The consequences on employment in towns like Newmarket and Lambourn is the equivalent of a mine being

shut down in a coal-mining Spring was joined last week by Jim Paice and Judith Chaplin, who both represent constituencies with strong racing interests, in a meeting

allowing racehorse owners to register for VAT.
The Jockey Club, the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association, the National Trainers' Federation and the Horseracing Advisory Council have been requested to submit written evidence within the next

two weeks. Gillian Shephard, the employment secretary, will have to respond to the report made by the select committee. Before the general election she was at the Treasury where she promised the bloodstock industry "a level playing field" so that the UK could compete fairly with other EC countries.

#### UTTOXETER

MANDARIN 1.10 Arcot. 1.40 Days Of Thunder. 2.10 Polar Region. 2.40 Millford Quay, 3.10 Leotard. 3.40 Mossy Fem. 4.10 Katy's Lad. THUNDERER

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RICHARD EVANS: 1.10 Arcot. 3.10 Gaelstrom. GOING. GOOD 1.10 EBF NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HURDLE (Qualifier, £1,313: 2m) (7 nunners) 1-2 Artist. 5-2 Folleston's France, 6-1 Smith Too, 16-1 Wayward Edward, 20-1 Raymark, Outback, 25-1 Glossy 1.40 KONE LIFTS SELLING HURDLE (£1,479.50; 2m) (7)

7-4 Alosada, 9-4 Days 24 Therefor, 7-2 Flyang Coonection, 8-1 Bayoneppy, 12-1 Lacky Chain, 16-1 Actors Wood, 33-1 Bustling Around

2.10 BOWMER & KIRKLAND NOVICES CHASE

10 /P5 PROMPTER 6 W Kemp 6-11-0 K Johnson
11 1F4- RUFUS 199 (S) J Ebenstis 5-11-0 N Williamson
12 40-P JUREY 1076A 19 (B) T Bill 5-10-12 G Hamding
13 RS-P TAMENY MY GPH, 23 P Beautions 9-70-9 Mara A Facroll 2-1 Polic Region, 7-2 Auto, 9-2 Tompet, 6-1 Gallantry Bank, 9-1 Overhercoverthern, 14-1 hydrautch, 16-1 others.

2.40 ARLINGTON PREMIER SERIES CHASE (Qualifier: £3,702: 2m 5f) (3) 

4-9 Millard Oscay 11-8 Coetylcan, 25-1 Lawrenced Sun.

3.10 CLIVE LEWIS CLASSIC NOVICES HURDLE (Grade II: £5,024: 2m 4f 11Dyds) (5) 1 00 BERKELEY HILL BOY 21 B Hollechead 5-11-0 ... S Wyene
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3 3-2 MARKE SECRET 33 (BR F Beam 4-11-0 ... S Smith Edit
4 3 SHOOPE 15 D Mortly 4-11-0 ... S Smith Edit
5 -19F BAELSTROM 22 (D.6,S) N Twestor-Denies 5-10-9 P Scudamore

13-8 Gaelsgröm, 15-8 Leogra 100-30 Shoote, 7-1 Magic Secret, 14-1 Berkeley Hill Boy. 3.40 MASON RICHARDS HANDICAP CHASE

2,613; 3m 21) (11) 1 134 CITY ENTERTAINER 351 (6,5) D McCain 11-12-0 Mr D McCain (5) PB4- BRUMS JACK 208 (D.G.S.) J Edwards 11-11-12 N Williamson 3 53-0 PAMSER PRIORY 21 (D.BF.G.S.) T Thorneon Jones 9-10-13 6 Rows 

8 1R4- FEAJADE 208 (6.5) D Nicholain B-10-0 ... W Marston (5) 9 303- BERGESPOADS GERU 184 (F.5) F Murphy 7-10-0 ... F Byrns 10 11-5 The Mosses 26 (F.5) T Forsie 7-10-0 ... H Davies 11 215- BUDDONSTON 184 (5) (CD) T Forsie 7-10-0 ... R Fartant (5) 5-2 Ottertum House, 7-2 Mossy Fem. 5-1 Peapade, 6-1 Perphet Prony, 10-1 Cay Entertaines, 12-1 The Mosses, 14-1 Borlog Jack, Buddingson, 16-1 opper.

4.10 WILLIAM HILL GOLDEN OLDIES STAKES (Round t: £1,530. 1m 4f) (12)

2-1 Kely's Led. 5-2 Mool Point, 4-1 Dutest. 7-1 Dreamers Deligits. 9-1 others.

**COURSE SPECIALISTS** TRANERS: M Pore, 35 wiewers inom 95 renners, 36.8%; T Forsier, 7 trom 21, 33.3%; 1 J D'Neill, 4 from 15, 29.7%; T Thomson Jones, 3 from 12, 25.0%, 0 Sterwood, 8 from 33, 24.2%, N Twiston-Davier, 7 tom 29, 24.1%.
JOCKEYS: M Hourings, 3 wiewers from 4 rises, 75.0%; P Scusiamore, 25 from 72, 30.1%; S Smith Eooles, 14 from 54, 25.9%; M A Figgestid, 4 from 19, 27.1%, N Williamson, 9 from 44, 20.5%, 8 de Nam, 4 from 25, 15.4%.

# STREET PARKS

12.20 Sharro. 12.50 Bichetts. 1.20 Aberdeen Heather. 1.50 Chiltern Hundreds. 2.20 Rapportsur. 2.50 Strat's Legacy. 3.20 Rajanpour. 3.50 Furiella. THUNDERER

12.20 Excess Baggage. 12.50 Pat Poindestres. 1.20 Fire In My Body. 1.50 Barley Cake, 2.20 Repporteur. 2.50 Strat's Legacy. 3.20 Glenstal Priory. 3.50 Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.50 Milanese.

DRAW: 6F-1M, LOW NUMBERS BEST 12.20 CAPRICORN MAIDEN STAKES (Div I: 2-Y-O: £1,213: 1m) (12 runners)

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2 00 BOLD VIST 14 0 Envoire 9-0
3 00 EXCESS BAGGARE 5 N Calleghas 9-0
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12.50 LEO CLAIMING STAKES (Div I: 2-Y-0: £1,192: 6f) (12)

7-2 Minorestuck Bard. 4-1 Buchcite, 9-2 Par Poindestres. Siri Need Door, 6-1 Standard Express, 7-1 Mr Cube. 12-1 Nat Bush, 14-1 others.

1.20 CAPRICORN MAIDEN STAKES (Div 8: 2-Y-O: £1,213: 1m) (12)

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRABERS: 8 Hals. 17 warmers from 52 numers, 32.7%, M Prescott, 14 typn 56, 25.0%; W O'Borman, 25 trom 186, 24.5%; P Cole, 18 trom 86, 20.9%; C Cyzer, 15 from 81, 18.5%; D Arbeithed, 7 from 38, 18.4%. JOCKEYS: Emma O'Gorman, 24 wenners from 95 rides, 25.3%; Stephen Davies, 5 from 20, 25.0%, Dean McNecown, 17 from 89, 19.1%; 7 Guisen, 36 from 192, 18.8%, A Munro, 11 from 62, 17.7%; F Norman, 9 from 60, 15.0%.

1.50 LEO CLAIMING STAKES (Div II: 2-Y-O: £1,192: 6f) (10) 

9-4 Risky Nucober, 3-1 Samanimus Joy, 9-2 Chiltern Hendrado, 9-1 Risk Proof, Sumyview Lad, 12-1 Lady Of Stedows, 16-1 others. 2.20 GEMINI HANDICAP (52,322: 1m 2f) (9)

1 -000 RUN DON'T FLY 55 (B.D.F.S.5) P Cote 6-10-0 ... T Cusion 8
2 -0022 RAPPORTEIR 17 (CD.F.G) C Davy 6-9-4 ... D Harrison (3) 9
3 1-08 VINTAGE 50 (D.F.S) W Ham 7-9-1 ... J Williams 4
2 9633 GLDERDALE 22 (D.F.S) J Noter 4-9-8 ... M Hatro 8
5 1080 GLECA SOLO 12 (D.F.S) D Loter 4-9-8 ... A Musico 8
6 1000 ASSONN, 24 (F.S.1 R Harrison 5-7-11 ... J Dusins 2
7 0040 PREDICTABLE 15 (E.S.1 Miss A Regist 6-7-9 ... J Dusins 2
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8 0050 CANADIAN CAPERS 16 (CJ.F) M Channon 3-7-7 ... S Sarchest 3
8 0050 CANADIAN CAPERS 16 (CJ.F) M Channon 3-7-7 ... S Sarchest 3
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2.50 TAURUS HANDICAP (£1,297: 1m 4f) (16) 1 1000 MANDAY DEAN 55 (CD.6) R O'Sulven 4-10-4 R Price 11 2 6000 SLGHT RISK 10 (C) P Retinary 3-9-3 8 Burdwell 7 3 3000 TUDOR ISLAND 10 C Britain 3-9-3 B Dayle (5)14 4 0040 CHECKPONT CHARLE 78 (D.F.S) J Fustice 7-9-2 M Tubbutt 16 

8 550- ALRSET 15J (F) T Thomson Jones 5-8-4. W Hiss 9 9 0314 STRAT'S LESALTY 23 (CD-F) D Arberton 5-8-2. F Norton (3) 1 10 5530 HIDMAN TERRITORY 44 D Hierds Jones 3-8-1. T Williams 5 11 5000 SECRET TREATY 29 FC Repole-hyam 3-8-1. D Hopse 10 13 3500 MAGNETIC POINT 14 A Scot 3-7-12. D Biggs 10 13 3500 PLEASURE AYEAD 72 (C) M Dison 5-7-9 Dise Gloson 13 15 0500 SISSE 10 9 Palsing 3-7-8. D Repole AYEAD 72 (C) M Dison 5-7-9 N Adams 2 16 5502 SINGING REPLY 30 D Maris 4-7-7 Centre Balking (7) 15 Dean McKeown 6 11-2 Strat's Legacy. 6-1 Secret Treasy, 13-2 Hazty Spark, 7-1 Millatean, 6-1 Tudor Island, 10-1 Indian Tentiony, 13-1 Manifebb Polini, 14-1 others.

3.20 ARIES HANDICAP (£1,405: 2m) (9)

1 1043 DINE BAG 44 (6) B HRS 3-9-10 D Holland 5
2 60-0 COSINC DANGER 7J (20.7) 5 Woods 5-9-5. W Woods 2
3 -003 JOKERS PATCH 70 (F.5) Billy Williams 5-9-4. N Adams 9
4 1100 GLENSTAL PRIORY 38 (0.7) P Lote 5-8-9. T Quinn 8
5 3435 ROMARMAN 17 R Aleshurd 4-8-9. G Carter 6
6 2120 GHOSTIV GLOW 59 (V.7) C Bosy 3-5-5. D Harrison (3) 7
7 05-0 RYADH LIBRIT 10 M LISRS 7-8-1. G Bardwell 3
9 070- SNO THE BLUES 1851 (CD.7) C Bersland 8-7-7. J Quinn 4 5-2 Rejangous, 190-30 Dene Bag, 9-2 Romanton, 8-1 Chostly Glow, 10-1 Johnst Patch, Ryadin Lights, 14-1 Glenstal Priory, 15-1 others

3.50 SCORPIO HANDICAP (£1,245: 61) (14)

B 3314 WAVERLEY STAK 23 (D.F.S) A CLIMINISTEM - 8-13
D Holland 10
9 2160 CELLITO 131 (B.C) W O'Gorman 3-8-13 Emeric O'Gorman (3) 12
10 0040 SPEEDY CLASSIC 29 M Hostor-Elic 3-8-12 ....... M Hills 14
11 0006 PENDOR DANICER 49 (B.C.F.S) B Forsey 9-8-11 ....... S Dareson 9
12 4220 BANBURY FLYER 31 (CD.F.) Nos A King 4-8-6..... A Musino 11
14 0664 DAM CERTAIN 10 (18) A Derson 3-8-5..... D Herrison (3) 13

9-2 Noble Power, 5-1 Boy Martin, Waverley Star, 11-2 Dam Centum, 6-1 Furlatta, 12-1 Brisas, 14-1 Bambury Plyer, 16-1 Pendor Dancer, 25-1 others

# Kooyonga's Japan Cup run in doubt

ending her illustrious career in the Japan Cup suffered an unexpected serback yesterday.

Following the retirement of Subotica, the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe winner, it was widely anticipated that the Irish filly would receive an invitation. However, the Japan Racing Association yesterday invited instead the Frenchthe Tokyo race on November

ing the line-up now hinge on one of the four European The Japan Cup, run on turf,

tive field with top British filly

by a nose, is expected to run, as well as 1991 Japan Cup winner Golden Pheasant

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The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 1.00 LADY GAIL. GOING: GOOD TO SOFT 1.00 TENNENTS LAGER MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-0: £2,295: 1m 16yd) (10 runners) (n)

1.00 Lady Gail.

2.00 Salu.

1.30 Cee-Jay-Ay.

3.00 Ambuscade.

3.00 Cariboo Gold.

2.30 Sylvan Starilght.

1991: VALSEUR 9-0 Per Eddery (11-10 tar) Mrs J Cecil 13 ran 1.30 TENMENTS NOVEMBER HANDICAP (£2,326: 1m 16yd) (9 runners)

Long handstate New Begursvog 6-13
SETTING: 11-4 Cerulary Ayr. 7-2 Milliany Expert. 5-1 Dancing Street, 13-2 American Heep, 10-1 East Barns, Emissional Junuar, 12-1 Barmbles Way, 15-1 others.
1997. LAMBUEDOC 4-8-12 L Charmock (10-1) H Whiting 15 am

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRAINERS \$1.6 26.7 22.8 22.5 22.2 17.4

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G WONDERLU, YEARS 22 (M Wong) Mrs J Ramadon 9-0

MODIANY DUCKESS 30 (A Marriazen) Mrs L Pyront 8-9

G PENAN FJASH 127 (M Maky) R Guest 8-9

LADY GAIL 17 (M Olden) J Spening 8-9

STYLISH ROSE 6 (T McDough) W A Simplesson 8-9

STYLISH ROSE 9 6 (T McDough) W A Simplesson 8-9 J'Loute Webster SETTING. 7-4 Listy Sail, 5-2 Indian Flash, 6-1 Dance To Order, 8-1 Stylish Rose, 12-1 offens.

BETTRING: Georg Salo., 9-2 MEGyel, 6-1 Tindorf, 8-1 Servara, 12-1 olivers. 1991: DIZZY 3-8-8 T Coden (6-4 tor) 8 HEIs 11 cm Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.30 SYLVAN STARLIGHT (nap). 2.30 TENNENTS LA MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (2-Y-0: £2,211: 5f) (8 runners) 54 DARRY BLUE 8 Soltan A Study Miss Gay Kallenary 9-0 R. Failon 85
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006560 MDM RACER 18 (M M Recing (Thomographicads) Limited), Berry 9-0 PROMETS (7) 80
8 WALK THE BEAT 30 (Course Ville Primarchia) R Sergeon 9-0 A Tucker (5) 78
PALACERATE SRCY, (Primarchia) Courselon J Berry 8-9 J Carmal
222 SYLVAN STARRUSHT 17 (MS R A Johnson) M Prescott 6-9 G Defined 68 BETTING: 10-11 Sylven Starfight, 7-2 Damy Blue, 13-2 Daylor, 7-1 Priocoggie Girl, 14-1 others. 1901: LITTLE SABUTEUR 8-9 A Misoro (5-1) P Maión 12 ran 3.00 TENDENTS SPECIAL HANDICAP (£2,389: 1m 7f 16yd) (15 runners)

2.00 TENNEYTS 80 SHILLING ALE CLAIMING STAKES

BETTIME: 4-1 Hellopsis, 5-7 Ambussade, 6-1 Cariboo Gold, 8-1 Labier, John Stew, 10-7 Rolling The Bornes, Bridge Player, 12-1 Labier, 14-1 odnes, 1991: RE VISIBLE 3-8-5 T Chainn (11-2 p-lay) M Johnston 17 ran 3.30 LADBROKE ON-COURSE HANDICAP (£2,284: 5f) (8 runners)

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(8) 800000 SUPER ROCKY 12 (D.F) (Mrs P Bestimus) R Bastimus 3-9-12... H Bastimus (7) 86 (6) 400000 PPERCE BELTORT 20 (D.F) (Mrs C Syless) M Manghion 4-9-6... H Cochrene 94 (9) 100000 BEST ETFORT 17 (CD.F.S) (R Miguel) M Manghas 6-9-6... K Failon 91 (4) 3800-00 CUATRE FEMALE 12 CF) (D Scolul M Johnston 5-9-5... R P Block 99 (1) 342510 SUPERIME DESRES 37 (D.G) (Albas J Craze) A Swith 4-8-5... S Whiteler 89 (2) 540020 (MJAR 10 (B.D.) (E Sociolate) D Chapman 3-8-5... S Whoteler 89 (7) 004000 LE CHIC 17 (D.F.) (J Williams) D Chapman 6-8-2... K Darley 00 (3) 6-00332 TAKE IT M CASH 7 (R Adams) R Dickin 3-8-1... C Reder (8) BETTING 6-4 line II in Croit, 5-1 Quite Forme, 6-1 Super Rode, 6-1 Best Ellot, 12-1 others.
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THE chances of Kooyonga third at Longchamp, to run in injured Solar Splendor if con-

Kooyonga's hopes of mak-

challengers withdrawing. is set to draw its most competi-

nections accept an invitation. Breeders' Cup Turf winner Fraise has also withdrawn but Sky Classic, the horse he beat

Subotica, a triple group one winner, has been retired to the User Friendly likely to take on Haras de Mezeray, where he Breeders' Cup Classic winner was born and where he will trained colt Vert Amande. A P Indv. who will replace take up stud duties next year.



# Oxford sees largest share of 92 goals in Barclays League

TUESDAY night was goals night in the Bardays League. In 30 games across three them. There were ten at Oxford United, who drew 5-5 with Portsmouth, and six more at the Abbey Stadium, Cambridge United's ground, for a 3-3 first division draw with Luton Town, who had

been three goals up with 17 minutes remaining.
There were also six goals at Twerton Park, where Bristol Rovers, who are bottom of the first division, were beaten 5-1 by previously struggling Barnsley. It seems that Mal-colm Allison, who starts work as a coaching consultant at Rovers today, has ample scope in his latest role.

Grimsby Town - who have Dave Beasant in goal on loan from Chelsea — are arguably the division's most improved side and West Ham United had a fine goal from Trevor Moriey, 15 minutes from time, to thank for a 1-1 draw

Wolverhampton Wanderers suffered a third successive defeat when they were beaten 2-0 by Sunderland at Roker Park. An awkward autumn last year almost cost Graham Turner, the Wolves manager, his job and he must have cursed goals from Cunnington and Goodman for Sunderland. It was the 100th of Goodman's career and eased, if only slightly, the pressure on Malcolm Crosby. the Sunderland manager.

The night's first goal was dispatched at Notts County. where Pembridge put Derby County ahead after only 23 seconds. Derby's eventual 2-0 triumph — completed by Kitson's goal - was the sixth in eight league games for Arthur Cox's £10 million side. Tranmere Rovers may be Merseyside's third team but they could be part of the Premier League next season.

Rovers latest victory was 3-0 at home to Southend United. Morrissey, Aldridge and McNab scored the goals at Prenton Park. Swindon Town stay second in the first division but experi-enced a surprise 2-0 defeat at

home to Brentford. Glenn Hoddle, the Swindon manager — who like Phil Holder, his Brentford counterpart, is a Tottenham Hotspur old boymay wish to review his decision to allow his players extra days off and relaxing mas-sages. Maskell missed a penalty for Swindon, who succumbed to their first home league defeat of the season.

Like Newcastle United, the first divison leaders, Swindon were previously managed by Osvaldo Ardiles. As manager of West Brownwich Albion, Artiles is presently top of the second division, a position that was consolidated with a 3i win against Hartlepool Unined at The Hawthorns.

Port Vale confirmed their promotion credentials with a 2-0 home win against hitherto high-flying Leyton Orient while Bruce Rioch's Bolton Wanderers prevailed 3-1 at Alan Ball's Exeter City.

A pre-match blaze at Undethill, where one of the

floodlight pylons caught fire, failed to prevent Barnet whose players are still locked in a pay dispute with Stan Flashman, the club chairman beating Walsall 3-0 to stay second in the third division.

Glenn Roeder tasted victory for the first time as a manager when his Gillingham side. who are at the foot of the third division, beat Hereford United 3-1 in Kent. Gillingham had lost all of their previous six games and Roeder, who took the job on last week after turning down an invitation to become Paul Gascogine's minder in Rome, had made six changes to the team.

One of Roeder's first acts as Gillingham manager was to call in the Reverend Kevin McElhinney to give the players spirtual guidance. The move appeared to pay off handsomely.



Hard to grasp: Gerber, the South Africans centre, finds Thorneycroft, of Midlands, tough to shake loose in their victory at Leicester yesterday. Report, page 48

## Fiery Swansea give **Australians** hard lesson in realities

Australia XV...

BY GERALD DAVIES

SWANSEA had wondered about the true nature of their recent success. Last season's Heineken League champions they might be, leaders this season they are, but nobody knew beyond this how far they

had progressed.
Yesterday, they met the
world champions and accomplished a feat beyond any of their imaginings. Though the Australians might not agree, few others would dispute that Swansea were the worthy winners by a goal, a try, two pensities, and a dropped goal, to two penalties. Having had little to sing about of late, the whole of Wales may wish to rejoice now. But there are stiffer tests ahead.

What is even more remarkable is that this victory was achieved with an anorexic diet from the lineout. They lost possession by as much as 24-9. Yet they not only survived, but through stern first-time tackling and their nuthless approach to the scrum, where Colclough gave Ryan a torrid time, they took the game to the

Australia were forced in to uncharacteristic errors. Three times Kelaher missed shots at goal, and on three other occasions, in restarting the game at the halfway and 22metre line, put his own side under pressure.

If the scrummage was Swansea's main platform, and the resounding performances of Webster and Reynolds in the loose, their concerted

efforts were acutely mar-shalled by Jones and Williams at half back. If Jones narrowed his vision by threatening close to the scrum, Williams kept a deat greening of the second clear over-view of the game's pattern. With this display, he staked a claim for the national

For all the cut and thrust of the early stages, the only scores came from the boot. Kelaher kicked two against Williams's one, but with four minutes to go to the end of the half, Swansea drove irresistibly towards the line Jones and Stuart Davies probed before Jones, appearing for the sec-ond time, went on the blind side to give Gibbs the scoring

Williams kickert his second penuity after an Australian infringement from his own high kick. His grubber kick to the corner established the position from which Jenkins dived to score the try from Eales's misdirected delication. Williams converted from the touch line. And his final dropped goal, with three minutes to go. raised the St Helen's roof.

Colin Stephens, of Llanelli, to play at stand-off half against the Australians at Cardiff on Sammay because Neil Jenkins, of Pontypridd, failed a fitness test on an injured

Renault rules

out deal

with McLaren

Renault has ruled out the

possibility of supplying McLaren with engines for the

Formula One moter racing

championship next year. McLaren, looking for another

Honda's decision to with-

## Horton and Smith attempt to fathom the inexplicable

By Louise Taylor

BRIAN Horton and Jim Smith sat up long into the early hours of yesterday morning, mulling over the 5-5 first division draw their teams had shared at the Manor Ground on Tuesday night.

Horton, whose Oxford United side had trailed 5-2 to Smith's Portsmouth with 13 minutes remaining, conceded that their conclusion was "bewilderment". He and Smith, himself a former Oxford manager who still lives in the county, had travelled home together.

Horton said: "Being neighbours and old friends I had agreed to drive Jim home. We went in, sat down, had a good drink and tried to work everything out. But it was impossible. It was only in the morning when I watched the video that I could work out exactly how it

The last 5-5 draw in a league match occurred eight years ago in a first division fixture between Queens Park Rangers and Newcastle United in September 1984.

As Horton said: "It was unbelievable to come back from 5-2 down. We showed great spirit, but the score also reflects some appalling defending.

"What I said to my defenders afterwards is absolutely unrepeatable. My goalkeeper, Reece, was only possibly partly to blame for the goal scored by Mark Chamberiain and that was an outstanding piece of finishing. It was really down to a lot of sloppy defending."

The two defences held firm until the eighteenth minute when McLoughlin opened the

scoring for Portsmouth. Whittingham, with his seventeenth of the season, put them 2-0 ahead and Evans, with an own goal, made it 3-0 after 31 No sooner had Penney

pulled a fortieth-minute goal back for Oxford than Whittingham dispatched his eighteenth of the campaign in

Not to be outdone, a 44thminute strike from Magilton ensured that Oxford took their half-time tea trailing 4-2. There was then a temporary hall in the excitement before Chamberlain chipped in with Portsmouth's fifth and proba-



Smith: mixed emotions

bly the best goal of the game after 61 minutes. Then, in the 77th, Durnin dragged it back to 5-3. With only a minute that

raising the whistle to his lips. Horton said: "After we had mouth had been cruising."

Ironically, scoring goals rather than leaking them, had previously proved Oxford's principal problem. "We had only conceded 13 in our previous 13 games," Horton

To add to the amusement, Awford and Symons, the Portsmouth central defensive pairing, are each valued in seven-figure sums and were reportedly being watched by several Premier League scouts

ber a match like it. "The only thing that really came near it was when I was player-man-ager of Hull City and we were losing 4-1 at Leyton Orient but came back to win 5-4 and I was playing," he said. Smith said: "I did not know whether to laugh or cry. It was

still remained the score but Magilton then converted a penalty and Allen struck the equaliser as the referee was

scored the penalty I asked the referee how long we had left. He replied, 20 seconds, we scored and he blew the final whistle. I was bewildered. With 13 minutes to go Ports-

on Tuesday. Horton can rarely a remem-

crazy. Going forward our play was brilliant, defensively it was

criminally unprofessional."

#### TENNIS

#### Leconte defeats Sampras

Paris: Five seeded players were beaten on the third day of the Paris Open at the Bercy Stadium here yesterday. . . . Henri Leconte, of France,

created the biggest upset by defeating Pete Sampras, the world No. 3, to the delight of a unashamedly partisan crowd of 12,000. The other seeds to go out

were Malivai Washington,

Petr Korda, Sergi Bruguera

and Wayne Ferreira. Washington won the first set against fellow-American Jim Grabb before fading badly to lose 4-6. 6-4, 6-0. Korda, of Czechoslovakia. lost 7-5, 6-4 to Arnaud Boetsch, the young French Davis Cup player. Boetsch will play either Guy Forget or Olivier Delaitre, both of

France, for a place in the quarter-finals. Bruguera, from Spain. was beaten 6-3, 7-5 by Wally Masur, of Australia. Ferreira. of South Africa, lost to Jakob Hlasek, of Switzerland, 6-3.

Boris Becker produced 15 aces in bearing John McEnroe for the eighth time in ten meetings. The German won 6-4, 6-4. (Agencies)

#### YACHTING

# Flying Dutchman kept afloat

BY MALCOLM MCKEAG

THE International Yacht Racing Union's main policy making committee decided yesterday to recommend only one change to the classes of boat to be used for the 1996 Olympic Games in Savannah. Georgia. The decision has to be ratified by the final meeting of the union's permanent commíttee tomorrow but a drastic olicy reversal seems unlikely.

The sailboard class has been changed from the Lechner to the more widespread Mistral. The other Olympic classes

LEIGH are without a league

win, a coach and, possibly, a

ground from next week

(Christopher Irvine writes). After refusing to heed a flurry

of eviction notices, the bot-

tom-placed first division club

was yesterday served with a

writ to leave Hilton Park, its

The case will be heard in the

High Court in Manchester

onTuesday. Should they lose,

Leigh's only alternative is to

home for the last 46 years.

remain as Firm single-hander, 470 double-hander (men), 470 double-bander (women), Flying Durchman doublehander dinghy (open). Star two-man keel boat. Soling three-man keel boat and the Tornado double-hander catamaran.

The decision ends efforts by many classes to break the traditional Olympic mould. The Laser single-hander had been tipped to gain Olympic status but lost on a preliminary vote. A strong British

RUGBY LEAGUE

Leigh receive writ to quit ground

share facilities with another

an this week of Maurice

Lindsay as chief executive of the Rugby Football League, has come talk of a leaner,

fitter structure. Sacrifices are

seen as the cost of progress.

Leigh are one of around half-

a-dozen clubs now gathered

The club gained a stay of

execution after debts of more

above the abyss.

With the arrival from Wig-

effort to have the advanced Laser 500 replace the Flying Dutchman received only one

Still to be decided is the question of where the sailing will take place in Savannah on the narrow Wilmington River or over open-sea courses that are several hours away. However, the decision not to change classes militates against sailing on the narrow river, which would be unsuitable for virtually all these

than £1 million were revealed

businessmen bought the play-ers from the administrator

and lease the ground for £500 a week. That arrangement

emired 14 weeks son, when

Hilton Park was put up for sale. The administrator is

now looking to the courts. "If we lose, Sunday's match

against Keighley could be our last." John Stringer, the chief

Police 22: Cambridge University 23, Laicesser 18.

last July. A consortium of

#### draw, recently renewed its contract with Shell Renault's decision probably means that Ayrton Senna, the triple world champion, will

leave McLaren next year.

New captain-Rugby union: France have chosen Jean-Francois Tordo as captain for their international match against Argentina in Nantes on Saturday week. The flanker was dropped after the first defeat to South Africa in Lyons and re-

placed by Philippe Benettun.

#### Partners again

Badminton: Gillian Clark and Gillian Gowers, the former European women's doubles champions, are tearning up again with the world champi onships their goal next year. Clark and Gowers, who won two European titles in the 1980s, split 18 months ago.

#### HOCKEY

## Oxford overcome Anglians

Oxford University ...... East Anglians .....2

BY SYDNEY FRISKIN

OXFORD University, whose aim is to qualify for the national league, overcame an experienced East Anglian side at North Oxford Sports Ground yesterday. Oxford, who are coached by Gavin Featherstone, a former England international, looked sharp and skilful and were not

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overawed by the presence of four Olympic gold medal winners - Barber, Kerly, Dodds and Batchelor - on the opposite side.

Within 45 seconds of the start. Ellison scored for Oxford from a centre by Laird. The same combination struck in the eighth minute except that, this time, Ellison had a clearer sight at goal.
The East Anglians im-

proved and had a fair share of the exchanges. In the 31st minute, Shaw's shot at goal

was saved by Wigmore. But a minute later, Hoskin waited for a return pass from Griffiths and scored Oxford's third.

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Hoskin was again on target for Oxford's fourth goal in the 39th minute with a penalty stroke but five minutes later. after Wigmore had saved twice from Kerly. Oxford conceded a penalty stroke, which Kerly converted.

Despite the fading light, the pace was lively and both goalkeepers were kept busy. When the lights came on, Griffiths set up a chance for Laird to score Oxford's fifth another goal for Oxford before Robson reduced the lead in the dying minutes.

**FOOTBALL** EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS' CUP: Second round, decord legar Steam Bucha-rest (Rom) 2, Aertus (Den) 1 (4-4 on eggs Steam Bucharest win on away goeld; Sparse Prague (C2) 1, Weder Stermin (Ger, holders) 0 (Sparse Prague win 4-2 on agg).

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BASS MORTH WEST COUNTIES: First division: Bamber Bridge 4, Pervill 1; Backpool Rovers 6, Burstough 2; Eisterood Hersley 1, Nanthuch Town 1. Premy rount 1, resemt Town 9.
DIADORA POOTBALL LEAGUE Premier division: Dubrich 0, Yeading 1; Herrow 3, St. Albars 6; Hendon 1, Bognor 0; Marlow 1, Registriam 1; Window and Bon 3, Grays 3. First division: Histria 1, Lawes 0; Laylon 1, Maldonhead Utal 1; Usbridge 0, Welson and Hyerham 0.

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Polesons 3; Stortwood Uld Q.

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8.00 Six O'Clock News with Anna Ford and Andrew Harvey. (Ceefax)

6.30 Regional News Magazines (143). Northern Ireland: Neighbours 7.00 Top of the Pops (s) (7308)



Estranged: Michelle Collins and Adam Woodysti (7.30pm)

7.30 EastEnders. (Ceefax) (s) (327) 8.00 As Time Goes By. The last in Bob Larbey's romantic comedy series starring Judi Dench and Geoffrey Palmer (r). (Ceefax) (s)

9.30 Walting for God. Stephanie Cole and Graham Crowden star as the geriatric scourges of a retirement home. (Ceefax) (s) (5563) 9,00 Mine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax) Regional news

and weather (7389)

9.30 Smith and Jones. Comedy sketches and the celebrated head-to-head discussion. With Mel Smith and Griff Rhys Jones. (Ceefax) (s)

18.00 One Foot in the Grave. The Meldrews return from a disastrous holiday in Greece to discover that their house has been destroyed by fire. Starring Richard Wilson and Annette Crosble (r). (Cestad (20476). Northern Ireland: Spotlight; Wales: A Sense of Europe

10 Question: Time presented by Peter Sissons. The panel is Rabbi
Lulia Neuberger, author Michael Dobbs and MPs William
Waldegrave and Jack Curningham (80211). Northern Ireland: One
Foot in the Grave 11.00 Question Time

11.30 Law and Order. American police drama series staining George Dzundza and Christopher Noth (f) (s) (737679). Northern Ireland: 12.00-12.50am Nell Sedaka, Wales: One Foot in the Grave 12.00 Law and Order 12.45 News and weather 12.20am Weather (2089051). Ends at 12.25 2.15 BBC Select: Executive Business Club. Scrembled (5879693).

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8.00 Breakfast News (4852037) 8.15 Westminster (86943178)
9.00 Daytime on Two, Educational programmes
2.00 News and weather (91238969) followed by You and Me (r)
(70587583) 2.15 Advice Shop, Welfare rights magazine presented
by Helen Madden and Andrew Miller (3380679)

3.00 News. (Ceefax) Weather (9648650) followed by Weatminster Live. Includes prime minister's questions (7132143) 3.50 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (1951786) 4.00 Catchword. Game show for wordsmiths (s) (376) 4.30 Heirs and Graces. Lady Victoria Leatham tours Broughton Castle.

a fortified medieval manor house that was once the setting for a plot to overthrow a king (r) (940) 5.00 Plunder. Emma Freud lets camp comedian Julian Clary loose in the

BBC's archives. Among his choices are footage of Marc Bolan in concert, Blue Peter and Till Death Us Do Part (f) (8414) 5.30 Food and Drink. A repeat of Tuesday's programme which included

an item on nuts that could prevent heart disease (292) 6.00 Film: Clarence the Cross-Eyed Lion (1965) starting Marshell Thompson. Wildlife adventure story that was the inspiration for the popular television series Daktari. Directed by Andrew Marton (84308). Wales: Inside English 6.15 (tablenissimo 6.30 Winning 7.00

7.30 First Stight. Current affairs series for the South East (969). Northern Ireland: Route 92; Wales: Dad's Army, East. Matter of Fact, Midlands: Midlands Report; North, North-east and North-west. Close Up North; South: Southern Eye; South-west: Close Up; West: Close Up West 8.00 A Cook's Tour of France: Limousin and Auvergne

◆ CHOICE: In the final part of the senes the elegant Mireille Johnston celebrates the robust cooking of the central region of France. In Limousin, where there are more cattle than people, she samples bianquette de veau and breaks the hearts of vegetarians everywhere by allowing the first wild mushrooms of the season to be fried up in land. Journeying on to Auvergne, she enjoys the local mineral water — "loaded with terrific vinue" — and is seduced by the picturesque cuisine of Monsieur Mioche in the Hotel Radio salmon roses served on a bed of tiny green lentils. We also get to see her wrinkling her nose in distaste at a deer hunt, but the most dramatic moment of the programme comes when a wooden spoon

dramatic moment of the programme comes when a wooden spoon snaps in two, daunted by the consistency of a huge mash-up of portations and mature blue cheese. (Ceefex) (s) (4698)

8.30 Top Gear, Jeremy Clarkson looks at the threat to the Volvo family estate dominance from Ford, BMW and Toyota (s) (3105)

9.00 Blackadder Goes Forth. Captain Backadder, ordered to ferret out a spy in a hospital some way from the trenches, decides to spend three weeks at his task. Staming Rowan Atlanson and Tony Robinson (r). (Ceefex) (6259)



The old guard: Tory councillor Neville Sanders (9.30pm)

9.30 Present Imperfect: Power and Glory.

CHOICE: This last programme follows the ups and downs of a group of Peterborough councillors through a demanding year. The old guard is represented by Labour council leader Cherles Swift, a train driver with the common touch, and Tory Neville Sanders, a selfmade man who relishes the cut and thrust of party politics. The young Turks are represented by thiny-three year old probation officer Mark Goffrey, the Labour candidate who makes it on to the council, and Roberta Day, the Liberal group leader with a talent for dealing with disputes between neighbours. It's a useful insight into the hard grind of those in local government, but it's also a study of characters. The end of the programme sees Swift stending down amid allegations of fraudulent land deals, but his charm remains Intact: "I know ('ve been a devious old devil...", he says. (a)

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10.30 Newanight with Sue Cameron (602259)

11.15 The Late Show. Arts and media magazine (s) (363018)

11.55 Later with Jools Holland. Among the guests is singer Robert Palmer (s) (889766) 12.30am Weather (272051). Ends at 12.35

2.00 SSC Select: RCN Nursing Update (87877). Ends at 4.00

ITV LONDON

6.00 TV-am (6048376) 8.25 Keynotes. Music game show hosted by Alistair Dival! (4305650) 9.55 Themes News (5377389) 10.00 The Time... The Place... Topical discussion programme

10.35 This Morning Magazine series presented by Judy Farrigan and Richard Madeley (90762259)

12.10 The Riddlers. Children's puppet senes in (2576747) 12.30 Lunchtime News. (Oracle) Weather (3354698; 1.05 Thames News (58802211)

1.15 Home and Away. Australian family drama senal (Oracle) (368747) 1.45 A Country Practice Medical drama set r. an Australian outback town (s) (367018)

2.15 TV Weeldy. Anne Darrond's weekly look behind the scenes of popular ITV and Channel 4 programmes, Barry Took delives into the archives (382327) 2.45 Take the High Road. Drama senal set in

the Highlands (1579196) 3.10 ITN News headlines (9668056) 3.15 Thames News headlines (9665327) 3.20 GP Medical drama set in and around a suburban Australian surgery (3942766)
3.50 The Ratties (i) (3824940) 3.55 Captain Zed and the Zee Zone (5)

(1030495) 4.20 Rolf's Cartoon Club presented by Rolf Hams (4801563) 4.45 Bad Influencel Series on the latest in computer games and technology (8941475) 5.10 Blockbusters General knowledge quiz game for teenagers, presented by Bob Holness (8339124)

5.40 Early Evening News. (Oracle) Weather (336259) 5.55 Thames Help (f) (619360) 6.00 Home and Away (f). (Oracle) (259)

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7.00 Emmerdale. Soap set in the Yorkshire Dates (2476)
7.30 Jimmy's. Real-tife dramas concerning the patients and staff of St. James's University Hospital, Leeds (5) (495)

8.00 The Bill: Gemers. Attacks on members of the Asian community seems to the Sun Hill force to be racially motivated, but further investigation points to activity in a gambling den 11124)
8.30 This Weelc Mr Whalley and the Cash Point Ghosta. An investigation into disturbing "phantom" withdrawals from banks' "hole in the wall" cash dispensers and the subsequent cosmuction and disbelief shown by the banks involved. (Oracle) (3719)



Preventing a miscarriage of justice: Leo McKern (9.00pm)

8.00 Rumpole of the Balley. The crusty old defender of the underdog comes to the aid of a man found guilty of murder and Mr. Justice Featherstone (Peter Bowles) who confesses to a brief romantic tion, Starring Leo McKern, (Oracle) (4308) 10.00 News at Ten. (Oracle) Weather (48872) 10,30 Thames News

(256679)
10.40 01. Includes an item on the London Firm Festival and interviews with Kenneth Branagh, about his new film Peter's Fnends, and with Robert De Niro on Night in the City (s) (940921) 11.15 Prisoner: Cell Block H. Australian women-behind-bars drama

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12.10am Science Fiction: The Story of Frankenstein. How did an 18year-old, Mary Shelley, write one of the most celebrated science
fiction stories? (9096693)

12.40 Altred Hitchcock Presents: The Impetient Petient.

E.G. Marshall stars as an elderly man who decides to murder the
person who killed his pet mouse (5504544)

1.05 Film: The Lion (1962) starting William Holden and Trever Howard.

Drama set in East Africa about a young girl's attachment to a pet
lion, unaware of the smouldering tensions of a domestic element.

llon, unaware of the smouldering tensions of a domestic eternal triangle. Directed by Jack Cardiff (213322)

3.00 Kojak. The New York policeman investigates a missing million

dollars-worth of diamonds (r) (47001) 4.00 Motorsport Special (66341)

4.30 America's Top Ten (r) (s) (58761) 5.00 Videofashion (r) (37780) 5.30 ITN Morning News (91815). Ends at 6.00

CHANNEL 4

8.00 Certoons (56037) 7.00 The Big Breakfast (21766) 9.00 You Bet Your Life. American game show (s) (25921) 9.30 Schools (217747)

12.00 The Parliament Programme presented by Anne Perkins (45785)
12.30 Sesame Street. Pre-school learning series. The guest is Harry,
Betaforte (68389) 1.30 Take 5. Children's entertainment (70969) 2.00 Film: Mohawk (1956) starring Scott Brady and Rita Garn. Western advertiure about an Indian uprising thwarfed by a brave artist (Brady) and a pretty squaw (Garn). Directed by Kurt Neumann

3.30 A Wealth of Wildfowl Peter Scott with the story of a 21-mile long strp of rough grazing on the East Anglian lens that is inhabited by 25,000 ducks and 1,000 swans (r) (369)

4.00 Family Pride. Drama serial about a Midlands-based Asian family 4.30 Fifteen To One. Fast-moving general knowledge knock-out our

5.00 The Oprah Wintrey Show. With the mother of a convicted teenage murderer and the parents of a teenage victim (s) (8285921)

5.55 The Magic Roundabout. Classic children's senes, narrated by Nigel Planer (r) (640230) 6.00 The Word: Access All Areas. A behind-the-scenes look at last

Friday's edition of The Word (s) (501) 6.30 Gamesmaster. Computer game show (853)
7.00 Channel 4 News. (Teletext) Weather (787211)

7.50 Comment from histonan Dr John Mornil on the gruesome background to Bonfire Night (996501)
8.00 The Black Bag: God's Don.

CHOICE: "If they can just know that someone's on their side —

and someone who doesn't want anything from them." As he drives round the roughest streets of Kingston, Jameica. Catholic Monsignor Richard Alben, born and raised in New York, never finishes from confronting the community's uglier scenes, persuasively speaking out against violence, drug abuse, gang warfare and thieving. This welcome profile watches him at work and listens while he gives us a guided tour of destroyed neighbourhoods and the garbage dump picked over daily by hungry, scavenging hordes Depressing as it is, Albeit never loses faith in his parishioners and when a young woman adopts an abandoned two-week old baby, it is direct to see that respect abandoned two-week old baby, it is great to see that respect

6.30 Rising Damp. Rigsby finds religion when a zealous theological student takes up residence (r). (Teletaxt) (1501)



Proven innocent: three of the "UDR four" are free (9.00pm)

rewarded (9766)

9.00 Critical Eye: Loyalty on the Line.

© CHOICE: Miscarriages of justice connected with Northern Ireland are nothing new, but the story of the "UDR four" has an unusual twist in that the convicted men are Protestants. The murder of a Catholic man in Armagh in 1983 resulted in four soldiers in the Ulster Defence Regiment receiving sentences, but earlier this year on the Line, the three express their feelings at being wrongly accused after what they claim were forced confessions, and with Neit Latimer still in prison, they reveal their new life's work, to get him out. The programme looks aftesh at the evidence but also speculates on why it all happened. Could it be that after the scandal of the alleged "shoot to kill" incidents, the RUC were trying to show their even-handedness? (Teletext) (5650)

10.00 Film: Prison Stories — Woman on the Inside (1991). A trilogy of made-for-television dramas — Engentral Pantis Roard and New

made-for-television dramas — Esperanza, Parole Board and New Chicks — about women in prison. Directed by Donna Deitch, Penelope Spheeris and Joan Micklin Sliver (564501) 11.35 Four-Mations: Sound. Satiemania from the Zagreb Studio and

Robert Darroll's Korean Trilogy III: Stone Lion (328263)

12.05em Dispetches. A repeat of yesterday's programme investigating claims that pomography can lead to sexual violence (3009877)
 12.50 Film: The Last Adventurers (1937, b/w) starring Mail McGinnis. A ahipwrecked mariner falls in love with the daughter of the capitaln who rescues him. Directed by Roy Kellino (8251877). Ends at 2.15

#### VARIATIONS

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383747; 1.45-2.15; Home and Away
387018; 5.16-5.49 Family Price (8339124)
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Height (673056); 11.10 Central Lobby Special
(826414); 11.40 The Young Riders (735211)
12.35 Heighwood Report (2005099); 1.05
Video View (2699877); 2.05 Frank
Sideboltom's Fantastic Side Show

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#### SATELLITE

8.00 Chances (44582) 10.00 Stude (60018) 10.30 Star Trek: The Next Generation (15921) 11.30 Feshion TV (59259) 12.00 Pages from Skyled.

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from Hollywood classics (53230) 10.00 Alligator II — The Mutation (1890):

SKY MOVIES GOLD

Win the Autra satellitin 6.00 The King of Contedy (1982) Robert De Niro kidneps Jerry Lawis (38869) 8.00 Semi-Tough (1977): Two lootbell players tall for Jill Clayburgh (33414) 10.80 The Chokropys (1977): The antics of LA policemen (1948/283). Ends at 12.10mm

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### RADIO 3

6.55am Westher 7.00 On Air, with Piers Burton-J Cir. Arr, with Piers Blutton-Page, Including Elger (Concert Overbure, Friossart, Op 19); Purceit (Symphony, The Fainy Queen); Britten (Simple Symphony, Op 4); Turina (Zapateado); Mozart (Sersrade in G, Elne Kleine Nachmusik)

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9.00 Composer of the Week:

Mozart. Siring Cuertet in E flat, K428 (Alban Berg Cuertet);

Sirionis concertante in E flat, K297 (Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields under Neville

10.00 Morning Sequence: Poulenc (Sinforietta: BBC Scottlish SO under Othmar Maga); Bach (French Suite No 3 in 8 minor, BWV 814: Pierre Hantai, tow 614; Pierre Hantai, harpsichord); Honegger (Prékide, Asoso et Fughette — sur le nom de Bach; Lausanne CO under Lopez-Cobos); Boëlimann (Variations symphoniques, Op 23; RPO under Yan-Pascal Torteller, with Paul Torteller, celto); Bach (Fantasia and Fugue in D minor, BWW)303; Pierre Hentai, hanssidtord: Franck harpsichord); Franck (Symphony in D mind Chicago Symphony C

(Symphony in D minor: Chicago Symphony Orchestra under Pierre Monteux) 12.00 Chopin — The Graet Interpretens: The planst Afred Cortot plays 24 Pretudes, Op 28; Weltz in A menor, Op 34 No 2; Trois Notanettes Studies: Terentella Nouvelles Etudes; Tarantella, Op 43; Ballade No 3 in A flat, Op 47 (r) DODGE News

zart: Frankfurt RSO under Christoph Eschenbach, plano. plays Plano Concerlo No 28 in D, K537. Coronation; Symphony No 38 in D. K504, 210 Franch Music for Cello and

Prench Music for Cello and Piano; Lowi Blake, cello, Caroline Palmer, piano, perform Fauré (Cello Sonata No 2 m G minor, Op 117); Decussy (Cello Sonata in D minor); Sant-Saèras (Romance in D, Op 51; Cello Sonata No 2 in F, Op 123), including at 245 interval Reading (ft) 2.45 Interval Reading (r)
3.35 Friedenetag (Dey of Peace):
New York City Gay Men's
Chorale and Orchestra under Robert Bass perform Richard

Strauss's one-act opera. With Roger Roloff as the Commandant and Alessandra Marc as Marte, his wife

Marc as Merie, his wife
5.00 in Tube: Peter Paul Nash
presents music, news and
interviews
7.30 The British Line: Live from
the Fastival Hall, London. BBC
Symphony Orchestra under
Alexander Lazarev performs
British (Violin Concerto: Ids
Haendel), 8.05 Stephen
Johnson explores the Johnson explores the relationship between Britten and Shostakovich, 8.25 Shostakovich (Symphony No 4). Last concert in the series

9.35 Four Score and Ten
Remembered: Friendship
• CHOICE: In the perultimate
segment of his interview with
92-year-old dishist Frances
Perindge, the only survivor of the Bloomsbury group. Christopher Cook does not press her hard about the press har reard about the singular position she occupied within the set. In this, he could either be showing delerence to her age, or taking his cue from her implied reluctance to go one well-traveless are and over well-tradden ground which Cook, in a masterly precis, describes thus: her husband Ralpti was previously married to the painter Dora. Campton who loved the

biographer Lytton Strachey
who loved Raiph
9.50 Meetinge de loye: Heeperlon
XX plays dances from the
16th-century record collection. Musique de loye 10.15 Stride by Stride (r)

10.45 Night Waves: includes a first-night review of the RSC's production of Antony and Cleopatra 11.30 Arias for Aloysia: The first of two programmes featuring aries composed by Mozart for Aloysia Weber, who later became his sister-in-law, and sets of plano variations. Acandro, lo confesso ... Non sò donde viene, K284 -- first version: Variations on Baudron's romarice "Je suis Lindor", Popoli di Tessaglia . . . lo non chiedo, eterni Dei; Variations on Sarti's eterni Jei; vanations on Sattit are "Come un agnello"; Mia speranza adorata ... Ah, non sai qual pena; Nehmt melnen Dank 12.30-12.35am News

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(s) Stareo on PM
5.55am Shicolng Forecast 6.00
News Briefing, incl 6.03
Weather 6.10 Farming Today
6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.36
Today, Incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30,
8.00, 8.30 News 6.35, 7.85
Weather 7.45 Thought for the
Day with Professor Charles
Handy 8.40 Yesterday in
Parisment 8.58 Weather
8.00 News

9.05 Face the Facts: John Waite

and Pakistan oricist teams could prove a model for the new Britain 10,00-10,30 News; The Virgin in the ice (FM only), by Elis Peters. Philip Madoc stars as the madeval sleuth Brother Cadiael (a)

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19.00 An Act of Worship (LW only), led by the Rev Norman Winter

10.15 Paradise Lost (LW only):
John Milton's poem (4/41)

10.30 Woman's Hour talks to the author Joen Smith, the actress Cheryl Campbell and the pyrotechnician Maria Higerly. Incl 11.00 News

11.30 From Our Own Correspondent

12.25pm Out of Order, Patrick

Jerry Hayes (s) 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One, with Nick Clarke 1.40 The Archers (r) (s) 1.55

(LW only)

investigates (r)
9.30 Opinion: Who Owns Cricket?
Jetinder Verma, theatre
director, argues that the
uncritical support shown by
British Asians for the Indian
and Palestani oricket teams

Correspondent 12,00 You and Yours, with Roisin

Hannan returns with a new series of the political quiz. Team captains Austin Mitchell, MP, and Michael White, political columnist of The Guardian, are joined this week by MPs Edwins Currie and large letters (a) 45 5 Weather

Shipping Forecast

2.00 News; Monts on the
Somme; Mok Jones's play
combines Morris dancing and
tranch warters and tells the story of the Rowscott Morris an Oxfordshire Morris side who fight together in the opening days of the Battle of the Somme. With lan Targett

88 Harry (8) (f)

3.00-4.00 Bus Stop (Fitt only): Jenni Mills and Nick Baker meet the British people 3.00 Prime Minister's Questions

7.00 News 7.05 The Archers (s) 7.20 The Lonely Subject: Tony Parker talks to impotent men. their partners and doctors (a) 8.00 Analysis: Hugh Prysor-Jones chairs a discussion on the results of the American

presidential election 8.45 Does He Take Sugar?

11.00 Paul Temple and the Spencer Affair: Concerning Judy Million 

OchOICE: The BBC publicity machine, not known for its low output, has been strangely reticent about Radio 4's exciting initiative in re-

sock-in-the-jaw action, made them models of their kind. Tonight: it is episode two in the mystery of the murdered drame student (1) 11.30 Today in Parliament 12.00-12.43am News, incl 12.27 Weather 12.33 Shipping 12.43 World Service (LW only)

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RADIO 4

4.00 News
4.05 Kaleldoscope reviewe The Changeling and The School of the Night in Stratford-upon-Avon, and Keith Waterhouse's play, Our Song, at the Apollo, starring Peter O'Toole (s)
4.45 Short Story: A Mine of Serpents, by Shena Mackay. Read by Siaphen Moore (r)
5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather

5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock Name 6.30 Lionel Nimrod's Inexplicable World: The Hurran Mind (s)

9.15 Kateldoscope (s) (r) 9.45 The Financial World Tonight (s) 9.59 Weather 10.00 The World Tonight, with

Pichard Kershaw (s)
10.45 A Book at Badfirme: Loitering
with Intent. Peter O'Toole
reads from his memoirs (4/8)

broadcasting all eight episodes of Francis Durbridge's 1957 thriller to mark his eightieth birthday.
The serial carries its years lightly. The crisp editing and cliff-hanging fade-outs of the Durbridge thrillers, plus their refusal to sacrifice dislogue for SKY ONE

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 8.00am Showcase (7723747)
 10.00 The Odessa File (1974): Jon Voigiti Iralis a Nazi (19882018)
 12.05pm Brocali (1988): Adaptation of a Tennesses Williams play (10476)
 2.00 How to Beat the High Cost of Living (1980): Housewives turn to crune (38921)
 4.00 The Bites of Mira Biossom (1988): Shring MacLaine Inides a lover (46450465)
 5.50 My Biac Herven (1990): Sharin stars as a Mafia hood (19485560)
 8.00 Dead Men Don't Wear Plaid (1981). Private eye Steve Martin stars with bilos from Hollywood classes (53230)

10.00 Affigetor E — The Mutation (1990): Monster yern with Joseph Bologna (182921) 11.35 Rs-Animator 2: Bride of Rs-Animator (1990): Honor story (133940) 1.15am The Lonely Ledy (1983). Whiter Pis Zadors seeks fame and fortune (4451322) 2.40 Too Match Sun (1991): A gay brother and sister must have a child (285761) 4.15 Lambada — The Forbidden Dance (1988): A process enters a dance competition (988965). Ends at 6.50

PADIO 1

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CLASSIC FIVI

6.00mm Nick Bailey 9.00 Henry Kelly 12.00
Susannah Smons 2.00pm Lunchtime Concertor: Schumann (Panto Concerto in A minor);
Wagner (Steptred lolyi) 2.00 Petroc Tratamny 6.00 Classic Reports 7.00 Classic Travel Guide
8.00 Classic FM Concert for Guy Fawkes nght. Includes Stravinsky (Fireworks Fantasy);
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boat World (84143) 7.30 Motorsport (76960) 8.30 Footbell Holfend (7414) 9.00 Spenish Footbell (75476) 10,00 Footbell Europa (76563) 11,00 Dutch Bowling (12065) 12.00-1.00em Powerboet World (13148) LIFESTYLE

e Vis the Astra setellite
10.00am Fashion File (75037) 10.30 Cover
Story: David Hassehoff (24327) 11.00 Gloss
(54495) 11.30 The Joan Filvers Show
(2590572) 12.15pm Sally Jessy Reptisel
(5720259) 1.10 Lunchbox (94735232) 1.40
Self-a-Vision (22155037) 2.10 Remington
Steele (5556872) 3.00 The New Newlywood
Garne (9019) 3.30 Beverly Hills Buriz (3672)
4.00 Det Van Dyke Show (9579) 4.30
Gernschows (23056) 5.30 Self-a-Vision
(2143) 8.00 Bally Jessy Rephisel (42211)
7.00 Self-a-Vision (816232) 10.00 Music

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THURSDAY NOVEMBER 5 1992

Rugby union tour opens in Leicester with low-key anti-apartheid demonstration

# South Africans outpace Midlands

Midland Division .. South Africa XV ......32

THE South African rugby union team. playing their first match in England since 1970, enjoyed a trouble-free passage at Leicester vesterday. They beat the Midlands. England's divisional champions, by three goals, a try and two penalty goals to two penalties and a dropped goal and suffered no interruption from a low-key anti-apartheid demonstration.

It was a timely lift to morale for the South Africans, who had lost four of nine matches in France, and was the worst defeat the full Midlands side has had against South Africa since it lost the inaugural fixture 29-0 in 1906.

Four tries to none is hard to argue with. although the Midland forwards must have been startled at the amount of possession won, then wasted. Had John Liley worn his kicking boots, it might have been different, but the full back, on his own ground, missed five penalty anempts and, as his success rate drooped, so did his forwards. The South Africans, having absorbed so much for an hour. then used their greater penetration to run in two late tries to a generous ovation from the crowd of 13,000.

The most encouraging aspect for the touring party was the lineout. Although ball won at the front has limited value, it is better than losing it and Hattingh worked well. Since the South Africans also had to overcome the loss of Schutte, with a pinched nerve in his neck after 18 minutes - and later Baromann with a shoulder injury which may end his tour - their reorganised pack responded well.

Even so, they still lost the battle for the loose ball and if the Midland backs had pos-sessed in midfield some of the strength that Thornevcroft of-



Tackling the task: Hackney, the Midlands wing, is caught by van Rensburg, the South Africans full back, in the match at Leicester yesterday

fered on the wing, they would surely have crossed the South African line. Yet the one consistent strength the visitors have shown on tour is defence. Even though their activities on the ground displeased Jim Fleming (the penalty/free kick count favoured the Midlands 22-10), the divisional backs could not make it count.

For much of the first hour. Midlands played constructive rugby - up to a point. Yet still they trailed. 10-9 at the interval and 17-9 going into the

final quarter, thanks to two tries from Knoetze. The first arrived courtesy of Gerber, who found himself running against a back division including Pearce and justifiably fancied his chances. Knoetze. however, handling a low pass

The kickers exchanged thrusts. Steele dropping a goal from 45 metres to narrow the gap to one point before Knoetze struck again. The little centre took the direct route from a ruck to the try-

well, to finish off.

line and, with Botha's kicking. it was a good enough platform

Oosthuysen, freed by Hendriks coming off his wing, scooted past two defenders into one corner and then, turned up on the other wing, after the Midlands lost possession. He made 60 metres before Hackney caught him and he then found Gerber for a well-deserved try.

Although there were nine arrests near the Welford Road ground during the night.

there were none on the day, thanks partly to a substantial police presence. Only about 30 people took part in a protest march.

Nas Botha, the captain of the touring side, did not know he was playing until breakfast time, when le Roux cried off through illness. But the standoff was happy with his team's introduction to England. "It's probably the best we have combined as a team," he said. England B will prove a tough-

Saturday in Bristol. Saturday In Bristol.

SCORERS: Midand Division: Penelty goes: Liley (2). Dropped goel: Steele South Africans: Tries: Knoetza (2). Costruyen, Gerber. Conversions: Botha (3). Penelty goels: Botha (2). MICLAND DIVISION: J Liley (Lefcester); S Hackney (Lecester), I Bates (Lefcester); S Potter (Lefcester), I Thomasycroft (Northampton); J Steele (Northampton); J Steele (Northampton); J Cheer (Northampton), G Pearce (Northampton), J Cheer (Northampton); G Mossiley). M Johnson (Lefcester), M Baydedd (Northampton); I Tebbutt (Northampton).

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By Peter Robinson

ATTENTION in England may, understandably, have been on Elland Road, Leeds and the European Cup last night, but away from prying eyes there was a worrying sign of what may await the national side at Wembley on

November 18. it seems Turkey, the visitors for England's second outing in the World Cup qualifiers that night, may not be the pushover Taylor and his team are hoping for. Galatasaray yesterday gave

asaray had held Eintracht, among the frontrunners in the Geman league, to a 0-0 draw in Frankfurt. On home territory, they snatched a lifthminute lead and then hung on grimly for the next 85 min-

day's hero was The Hayrettin Demirbas. Galatasaray's Turkish international goalkeeper. He gave a dorni-nant display, pulling off two particuarly fine saves to deny Anthony Yeboah. Eintracht's gifted Ghanaian forward. Ugur Tutuneker scored the

all-important goal. Although another Turkish side, Fenerbahce, crashed spectacularly in the same competition yesterday, all was not what it seemed. A thumping 7-1 defeat by Sigma Olomouc. of Czechoslovakia, one of Europe's most underrated outlits,

South Africa, who returned

"There is a viewpoint

to consolidate. The

enough on our plate and we

World Cup, in addition to our

other commitments, might

not be in the best interests of

Bacher: too fast

Dr Bacher denied that the

South African cricket."

The first to go was Kartal Ismail, dismissed in the 41st minute for a foul. Gerson followed in the 73rd minute, also for a foul, with Tecimer Hakan joining him just a minute later after picking up his second booking of the game for dissent. Sigma, who

It was not a particularly good day to be German as,

### Barnet given three weeks to pay kit bill

BARNET were yesterday threatened with a winding-up

order over an unpaid £15,000 bill for replica kit. DMF Sportswear, the manufacturer, is in the first of a three-year contract with Bar-

Neil Friar, managing director of DMF, said: "It is a substantial amount of money and we have tried the conventional means of reclaiming it without success." The kit involved is for sale to supporters. DMF also supplies Fulham and Luton Town and has contracts for leisurewear with

Barnet, dogged by financial problems all season, are also involved in a row with their players over alleged shortfalls



# Johnson takes his magic out of fearful NBA

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

FEAR finally took its toll on Earvin "Magic" Johnson, the National Basketball Association (NBA) superstar with the Los Angeles Lakers and possibly the world's most famous HIV positive case. It was not his own fears that caused him to end his comeback this week but

those of his fellow players.

Johnson, who tested positive for the HIV virus that causes Aids last year, retired from the Lakers for a second time on Monday. While he did not make his reasons clear, a key factor was statements made about the dangers of playing against him. Johnson would not put his fellow professionals in a position they felt uncomfortable with

"Each player has his own comfort level," Charles Grantham, the NBA Players' Association executive director, said. "For the most part, that comfort level is that they will play with him [Johnson] but they have

Grantham did say the element of fear among players was overstated. "Calling this mass hysteria, as one headline in New York put it, is a major leap from the minority of players who had legitimate concerns about playing with Magic Johnson," he said.

The issue, and subsequent concerns, does raise the possibility of Aids testing in the league. Grantham, though, expressed caution on that front.

"There are a lot of ques-tions that have to be answered before we leap into mandatory Aids testing among players," he said.



Johnson: retired

States team with Johnson at the Barcelona Olympics, expressed doubts about Johnson's comeback. Another Olympic team-mate, Charles Barkley, had said in February, before Johnson's first comeback match, the All-Star game, that he should not play. Barkley said it was not because he was afraid but

Grantham said any test-ing procedure would have to be part of a labour-manage-ment agreement. "There's the problem of false

positives, who tests and who

doesn't, when the tests are

Last weekend. Karl Ma-

lone, who played on the gold

medal-winning United

to be made," he said.

because he believed Johnson should not have to deal with the aggravation. "I was referring to him

getting out because of the criticism and the turmoil," Barkley said. "I didn't want that, because Magic is a good guy, and I knew that anonymous people would sit around and snipe at him." Barkley said he still be-

lieves other players' fears are unfounded. "I'm not going to be kissing him and if he starts bleeding, they'd take him out of the game," he said. "It's ridiculous. People don't know anything about HIV. Everybody is a doctor all of a sudden. I played against the guy every day last summer and it

never crossed my mind."

Dr. Howard Grossman, who treats Aids and HIVinfected patients in New York, agreed there are fears about Aids not based on fact. The players in LA live with an incredibly higher risk of dying in an earth-quake or a plane crash than of getting Aids from John-son," he said. "It's probably more likely the earth would

be hit by a comet." But Grossman said the second retirement of Johnson "doesn't have anything to do with numbers. It has to do with fear . . . If another player got HIV, he would probably say. Magic dripped blood on me."

It is all a sad finale for a man who, more than anybody, has taken the game to where it is today. He deserved better. Much better.

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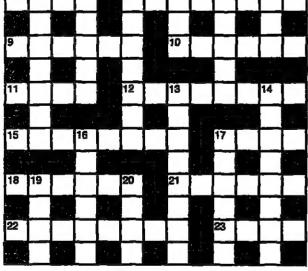
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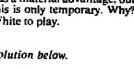
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WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

This position is a variation from the game Fischer, Sveti Siefan (Game 8) 1992. Black has a material advantage, but this is only temporary. Why? White to play.



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# Hayrettin issues warning

notice that the Turks are capable of providing England with the most obdurate of opposition in group two. Fac-ing Eintracht Frankfurt in the second round, second leg of the Uefa Cup, the Istanbulbased team snatched an unlikely 1-0 victory and a place in the third round of the competi-

A fortnight earlier. Galat-

was largely due to a tempera-mental performance in which

three Fenerbahce players were sent off.

won 7-2 on aggregate, scored three of their goals in the final 14 minutes.

rather predictably, Werder Bremen lost their grip on the Cup Winners' Cup. The winners last year were trailing 3-2 from the first leg - at home to Sparta Prague and lost the return in Czechoslovakia 1-0 to slip out of the competition 4-2 on aggregate. Siegl, after seven minutes, scored the game's only goal in front of a 35,000 crowd.

### net, who have three weeks to come up with the money or face High Court action.

another 30 clubs.

# S Africa withdraws World Cup bid

By RICHARD STREETON IN JOHANNESBURG take the massive organisation

SOUTH Africa yesterday withdrew its application to that goes with staging the stage the next cricket World Cup. The decision will dis-perse International Cricket to the ICC fold only last year, was also concerned for the ICC's best interests. Dr Bacher Council (ICC) fears that it could become embroiled in knock-on effects from the political problems in the country that things have happened too fast for us and I cannot altogether disagree. We have and the controversy involving the South African rugby union

By revoking claims to host cricket's most lucrative event, South Africa has left England and a triangular bid from India. Pakistan and Sri Lanka as the only candidates to stage the competition. It will take place in 1995, if England is chosen, or in 1995-6 should the Asian conglomerate SUcceed

Dr Ali Bacher, the manag-ing director of the United Cricket Board of South Africa (UCBSA), said his board's withdrawal followed an unprecedented home and away programme of 19 Test matches and more than 50 one-day internationals that had been arranged for the next two years, coupled with its commitment to the development programme for blacks. "It makes it impractical to underdecision, which had been rumoured for several days locally, had any connection with politics, sponsorship problems in the recession or the demonstrations against the South African rugby union side. Neither the African National Congress, nor its sport-Olympic Sports Council, had been consulted. The UCBSA decision had been simultaneously faxed to the ICC and its worldwide members as he

held his press conference. There is little doubt, however, that the ICC in recent days has become concerned about the disputes that it might inherit from rugby union's problems and it will be relieved to be spared them. The ICC is delighted that the present Indian tour of South Africa is taking place so successfully, it admires the game's development among the country's under-privileged. But it has watched with dismay the recent demonstrations against the South African rugby union players in England.

The ICC almost certainly would have called for an emergency meeting had South Africa looked likely to

win the vote. As it is, the sealed bids submitted by December 1 from the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB) on England's behalf and from the sub-continent will be opened first and studied at Lord's by Sir Colin Cowdrey and Lt Col John Stephenson, the ICC president and secretary. England, who missed being chosen as World Cup hosts by

one vote at last July's ICC

meeting, are now probably favourites, though they might be hard-pressed to find the guaranteed £250,000 plus for each of the 12 entrants promised by their rivals. Dr Bacher spoke for many ICC members when he said South Africa was not in favour of the highest bidder necessarily winning. "We are very keen to host the competition again and

determined our bid to stage it will be acceptable," Alan Smith, the TCCB's chief exec-utive, said when he announced recently that three companies have expressed an interest in sponsoring the tour-nament. "We have a great deal of experience in managing events of this stature."

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